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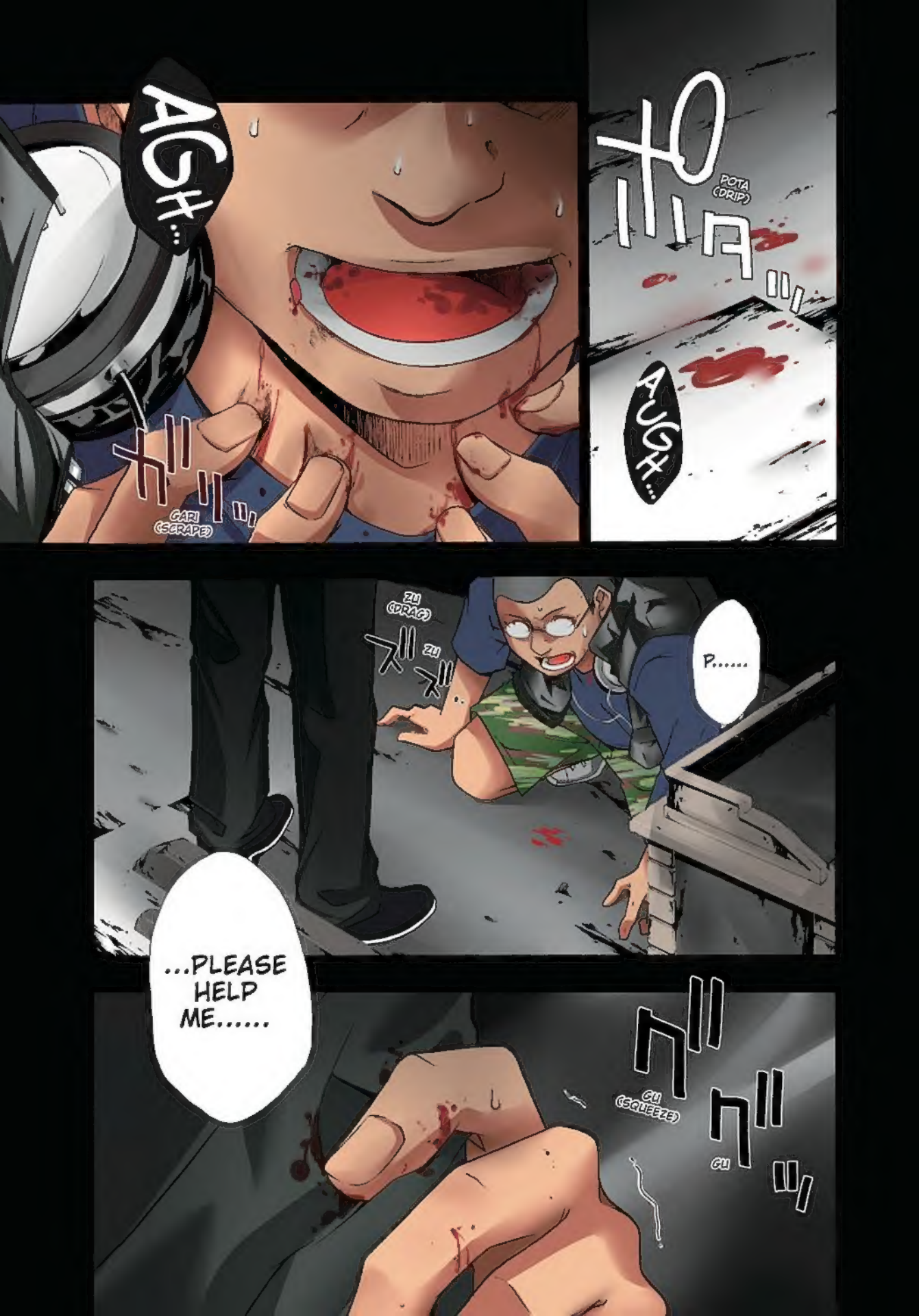
AGH...
GARI (SCRAPE)
POTA (DRIP)
AUGH...
ZU (DRAG)
ZU
P.....
...PLEASE HELP ME.....
GU (SQUEEZE)
GU

I DON'T WANT TO DIE YET.....

PIKU

PIKU

PIKU CTWITCHD

NO...

CHAPTER 1 THE TRIAL

.....NOT... YET.

NO...
PIKU
CTWITCH
.....NOT...
YET.

I DON'T WANT TO DIE YET.....
PIKU
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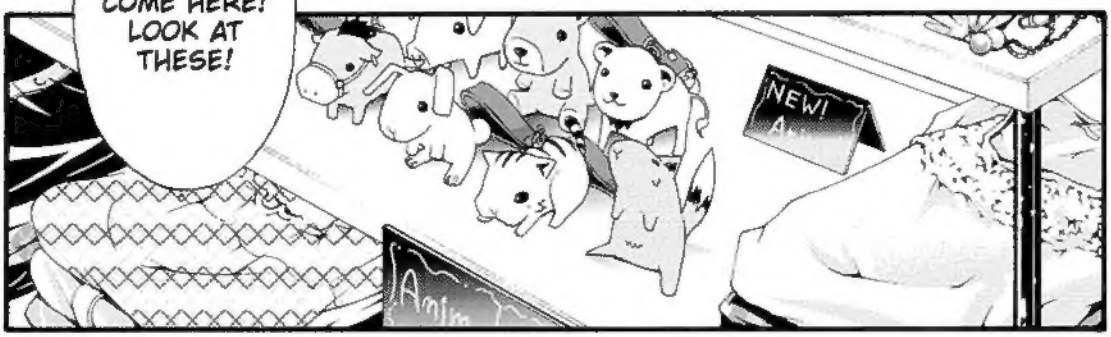
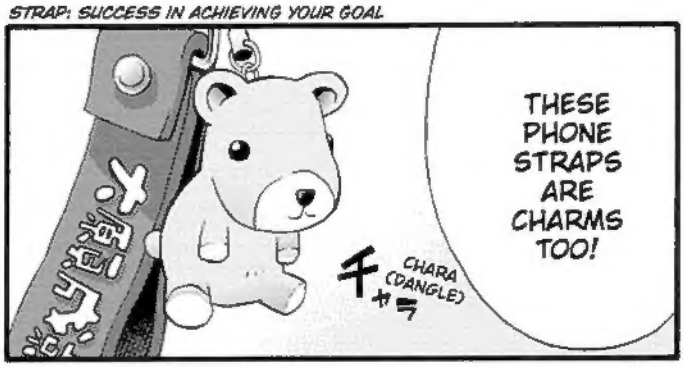


STRAP: SUCCESS IN ACHIEVING YOUR GOAL



I MEAN, WE'RE ALREADY PLENTY LOVEY-DOVEY, RIGHT?
AWW!!
THEN YOU DON'T NEED ONE, RIGHT?
HUH?
BRO...
DO YOU MIND IF I HEAD HOME?
HIRO...
...DID YOU HAVE SOME OTHER PLANS TODAY?
..... NOTHING IN PARTICULAR.

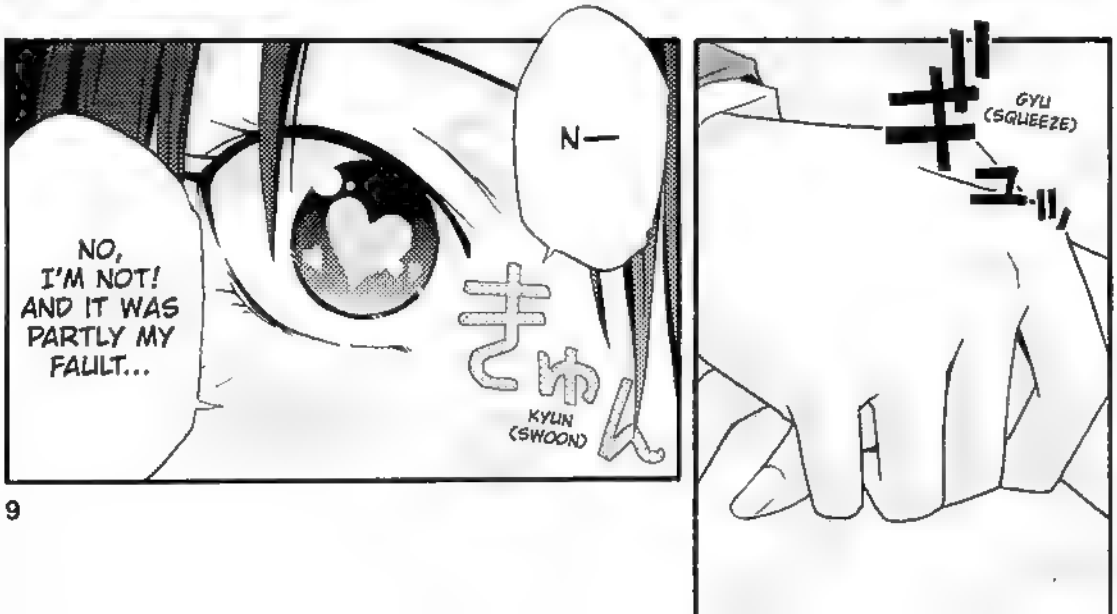
I KNOW WHAT'S WRONG!
キュッ
GYU (GRAB)
IT'S TOUGH HAVING TO WATCH US SHOW OFF, HUH?
IF YOU GO HOME, ALL YOU'RE GONNA DO IS LAZE AROUND, RIGHT?
THAT'S NOT TRUE.....
.....
THEN WE CAN GO ON DOUBLE DATES TOGETHER!
IF YOU'RE JEALOUS, THEN YOU SHOULD HURRY UP AND FIND A GIRLFRIEND TOO, HIRO.

SIGN: ENTRANCE
入口
HIKARI, FOR OUR CHRISTMAS EVE DATE...
...DO YOU WANNA MEET IN FRONT OF THE STATION AT SIX O'CLOCK?
SOUNDS GOOD! ♡
BE CAREFUL!
I NEED TO GO TO WORK FROM HERE.

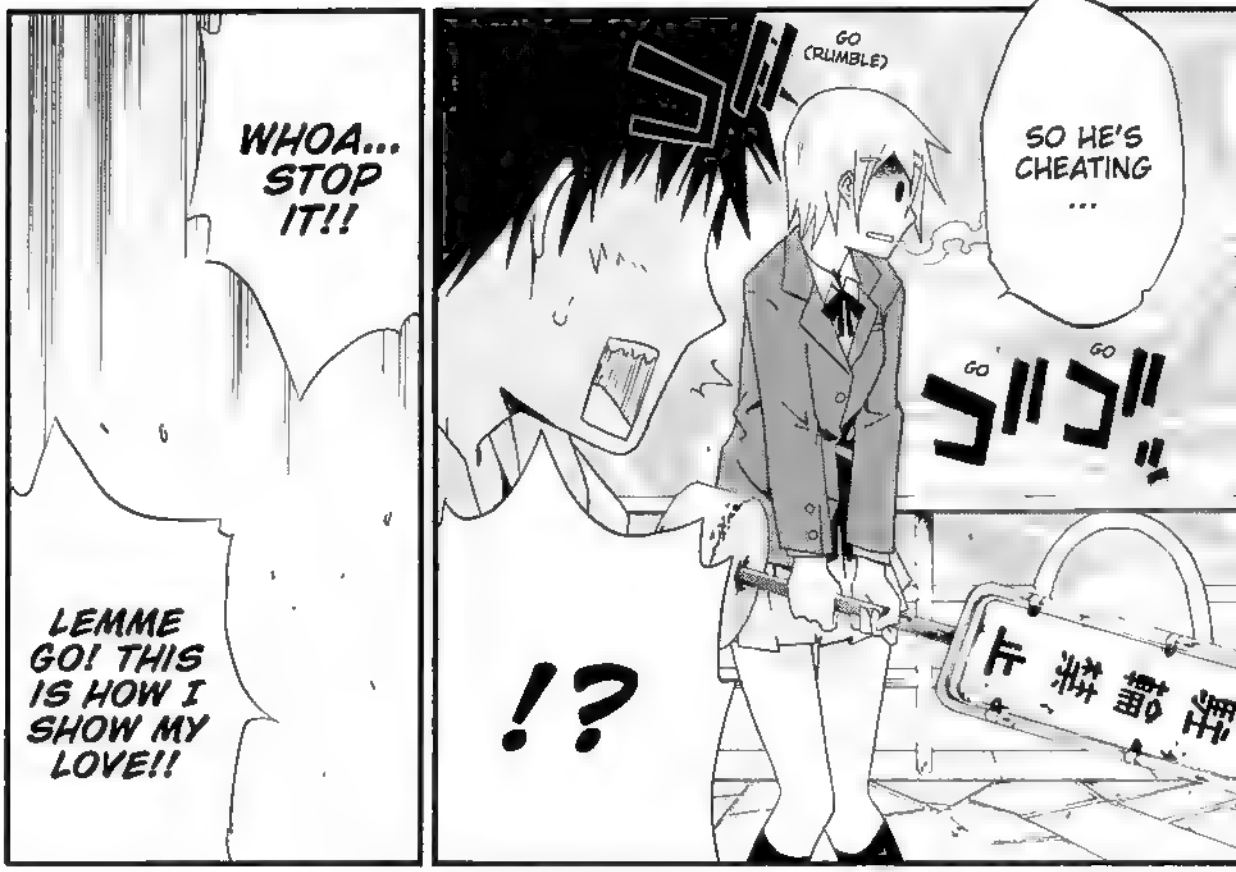
SIGN: PRACTICE SAFE DRIVING INITIATIVE
交通安全運動実施中
AH.....
PLEASE READ THIS INFORMATION!
SU (SWF)
LATER, THEN.

HEY! WATCH WHERE YOU'RE GOING...
PARA (FLAP)
PARA
DOSU (SLAM)
EEK!

KIRA (SPARKLE)
YOU'RE NOT HURT, ARE YOU?
I'M SO SORRY, I WASN'T PAYING ATTENTION ...
OH!
SU

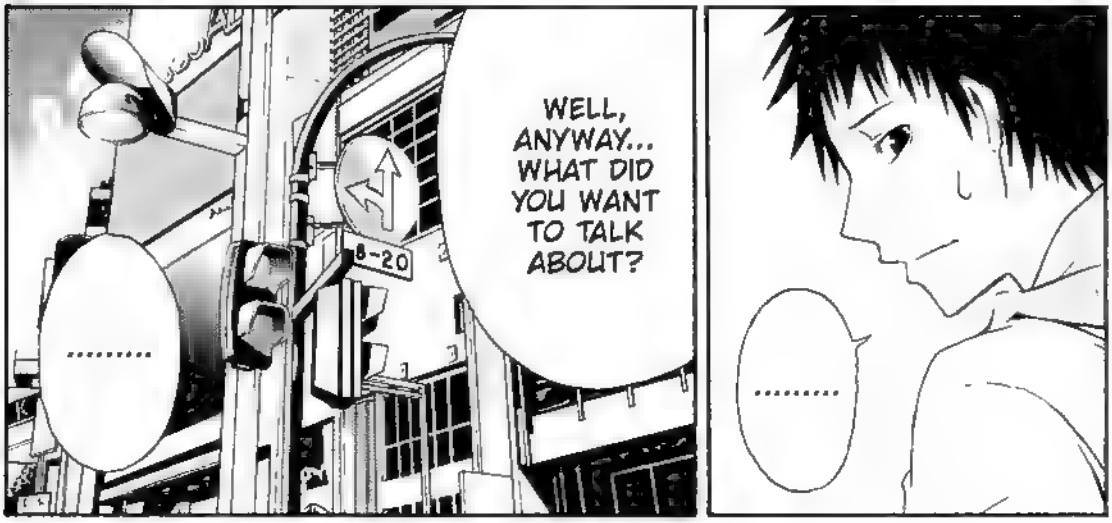

N—
NO, I'M NOT! AND IT WAS PARTLY MY FAULT...
KYUN (SWOON)
GYU (SQUEEZE)

FLYER: STOP DRUNK DRIVING. ALWAYS DECIDE ON A DESIGNATED DRIVER BEFORE IMBIBING.



SIGN: NO BICYCLE PARKING

TRASH CAN: GARBAGE



DON'T YOU GIVE US THOSE EVERY YEAR?
YEAH, BUT...
A... ANYWAY!
THIS TIME, I WANT YOUR ADVICE, IF POSSIBLE...
C'MON... PLEASE!?
ALL RIGHT. THEN LET'S MEET UP SOME—
LET'S GO RIGHT NOW!
SU (SWF)

NO TIME LIKE THE PRESENT, RIGHT?
WHAT!?
ぎゅっ
GYU (GRAB)
WAI.....!
...SHEESH.
GUESS I DON'T HAVE MUCH CHOICE...
GUI (YANK)
C'MON! HURRY UP!

WHY ARE YOU SUDDENLY ASKING ABOUT THAT?
?
...WHAT DID YOU THINK WHEN YOU HEARD THAT ATSUYA-SAN AND I WERE GOING OUT?
.....SAY, HIRO...

WELL... HONESTLY, I WAS SURPRISED.

JUST ANSWER THE QUESTION!

MY BROTHER'S FOUR YEARS OLDER THAN US, BUT WE'VE ALL BEEN FRIENDS SINCE WE WERE YOUNG...

ME NEITHER .....
UNTIL NOW, I DIDN'T THINK THAT WOULD TURN INTO "LIKE" OR "LOVE"...
HE PROBABLY NEVER SAW ME AS ANYTHING MORE THAN A LITTLE SISTER.
AND I'M SURE ATSUYA-SAN DIDN'T EITHER...
LAST MONTH... A BOY AT MY SCHOOL CONFESSED TO ME...
GYU (GRIP)
SO WHAT CHANGED...?

SINCE WHEN DO I HAVE TO NOTIFY YOU OF EVERY LITTLE THING THAT GOES ON IN MY LIFE?
GUSA (STAB)
BA (JUMP)
?
WHA...!? I DIDN'T HEAR ANYTHING ABOUT THIS!!
BACK THEN...
...AND THAT'S WHEN I REALIZED.
...ATSUYA-SAN SUDDENLY CAME TO MIND...

KAAA
(BLUUUUSH)
THAT...
...WHEN HE ACCEPTED THE CONFESSION I WAS SO SURE HE'D REJECT, I WAS ELATED.
AFTER THAT...
...I LOVE HIM."
SO THIS YEAR, SINCE I'M NOT BUYING A PRESENT FOR A CHILDHOOD FRIEND.....

...BUT BUYING ONE FOR THE PERSON I LOVE...
...I WANTED TO GIVE IT A LOT OF THOUGHT.....

OF COURSE NOT!

YOU REALLY DON'T GET EMBARRASSED SAYING "LOVE" OVER AND OVER AGAIN, DO YOU...?

EH.....?

THERE'S NOTHING EMBARRASSING ...
...ABOUT SAYING YOU LOVE THE PERSON YOU LOVE!

WHA... WHERE'D THAT COME FROM...?
YOU'RE FREAKING ME OUT!
MAN...

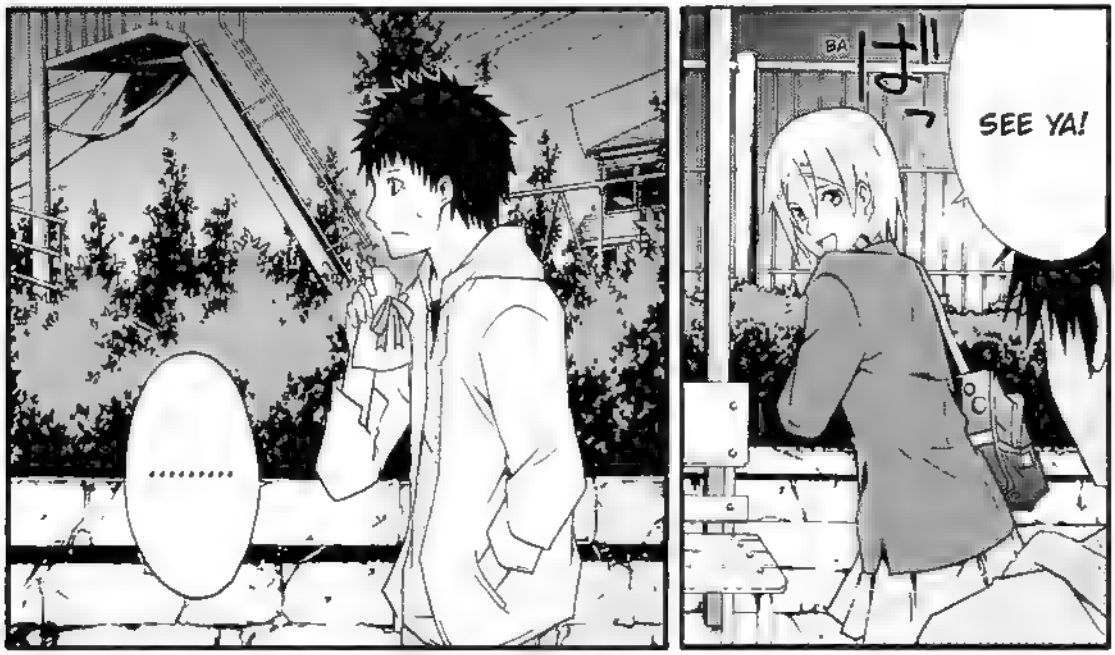
HIKARI...
YOU'RE AMAZING, YOU KNOW THAT?

!
I'D LIKE TO TRY SAYING "I LOVE YOU" TOO...
ZUI (ZOOM)
WHO IS IT? TELL ME THIS INSTANT!
WHAT?
NO WAY... DO YOU HAVE SOMEONE YOU LIKE!?
.....
'COS...
THAT'S NO FAIR. I'VE BEEN SPILLING MY GUTS OVER HERE!
STUPID! AS IF I'M GONNA TELL YOU...
GUNI (POKE)
GUNI

...IF I TOLD YOU, EVERYTHING WOULD CHANGE...
OH!
IT'S ALREADY THIS LATE.....
SU (SWF)
WELL, I HAVE TO HEAD TO MY PART-TIME JOB TOO...
OKAY.
HIRO!
POI (TOSS)

IT'S YOUR CHRISTMAS PRESENT.
(BA (WHAP)
ば
...OOP!
WHAT'S THIS?
...I'M GIVING IT TO YOU A DAY EARLY.
SINCE WE CAN'T SPEND CHRISTMAS EVE TOGETHER THIS YEAR...
EH.....?
IF THERE'S SOMEONE OUT THERE THAT YOU LIKE, YOU'VE GOTTA GO FOR IT!
HIKARI...

IF YOU'RE DUMPED, I'LL CHEER YOU UP AFTERWARD...
...SO TAKE A LEAP AND GIVE IT YOUR BEST SHOT!


.....
BA
SEE YA!

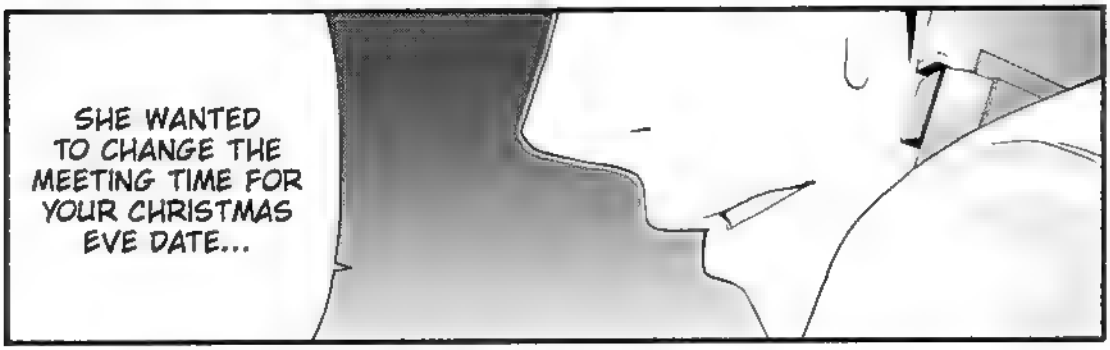
BZZZ.....
!
SHE'S COMPLETELY OBLIVIOUS TO MY FEELINGS...
SU (SLIDE)

OH, IT'S JUST MY BROTHER...
THAT IDIOT... SHE MUST'VE FORGOTTEN HER CELL...
BZZZ .....
Where's Hikari?
WELL...
PI (BEEP)
Hiro?
HEY, IT'S ME...
I'LL STOP BY HER WORK ON THE WAY HOME TO GIVE IT TO HER.
WE WERE TOGETHER UNTIL JUST NOW, BUT SHE FORGOT HER CELL.

HAAH ...
She's always had a bit of a flaky side to her.
Ha-ha! Well, what can you do?
But, you know...
Whenever you really need someone, she's by your side before you know it.
And it's that side of her that's saved me time and time again.
PIKU (TWITCH)
SU (SWF)

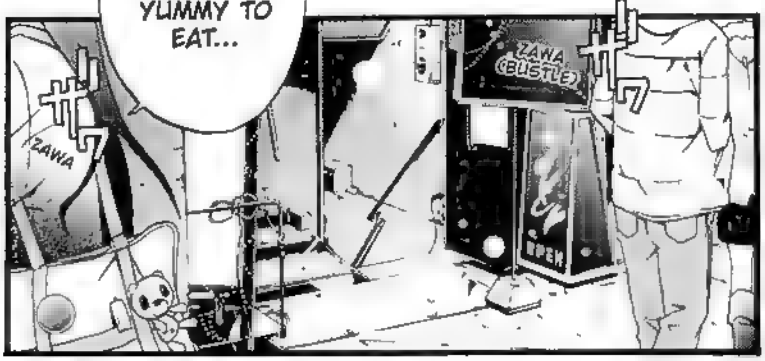
STRAP: SUCCESS IN LOVE

WHEN HIKARI LEFT EARLIER, SHE ASKED ME TO GIVE YOU A MESSAGE.
Hmm?
GU (GRIP)
BRO.....


SHE WANTED TO CHANGE THE MEETING TIME FOR YOUR CHRISTMAS EVE DATE...

...TO AN HOUR LATER THAN PLANNED.....

PAAA (HOONK)
SO WHERE ARE YOU TAKING ME AFTER THIS?
BUOO (VRRRM)


I WANNA GET SOMETHING YUMMY TO EAT...
ZAWA
ZAWA (BUSTLE)

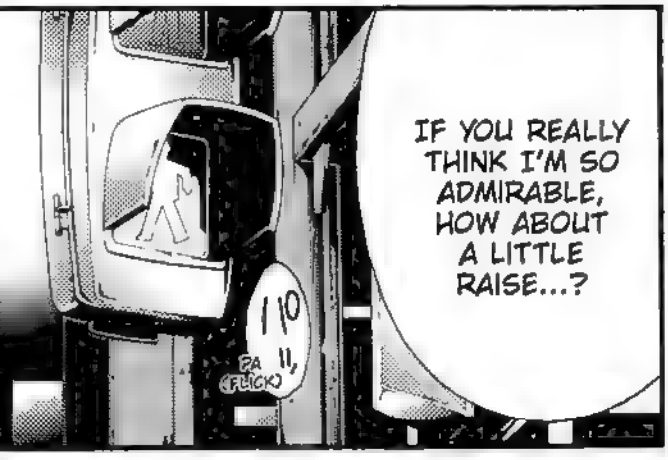
?

ATSUYA! ISN'T IT ALMOST TIME?
TON (TAP)

KACHA (CLINK)
OH...YEAH, BUT I'VE STILL GOT TIME.
DIDN'T YOU SAY YOU HAD A DATE AT SIX?
MAN, YOU'VE GOT IT ROUGH.
HMMM .....
MY GIRLFRIEND HAD SOMETHING COME UP, SO WE'RE MEETING AN HOUR LATER...
HA-HA!
FIRST IT WAS YOUR LITTLE BROTHER, NOW YOU'VE GOT A GIRLFRIEND TO LOOK AFTER.

WELL... MY FAMILY'S NOT THAT WELL OFF.
KARA (CLINK)
PERSONALLY, I KNOW I WOULDN'T PAY MY BROTHER'S TUITION IF MY FAMILY ASKED.
I WANT TO GIVE MY BROTHER THE SORT OF OPPORTUNITIES I NEVER HAD...
KOTO (CLUNK)
...SO HE CAN LIVE HIS LIFE THE WAY HE WANTS...
8-20
ブオオ
BUOO (VRRRM)
HAAH... MY, HOW ADMIRABLE.

WHAT A SLAVE DRIVER.
.....GEEZ.


IF YOU REALLY THINK I'M SO ADMIRABLE, HOW ABOUT A LITTLE RAISE...?
PA (FLICK)

FORCING ME TO GO FETCH MORE BOOZE 'COS A MISTAKE WITH THE ORDER LEFT US LOW...

KO (CLACK)

GI
GI
GI
GI (SCREE)

97-

HEY...
OH... I'M REALLY SORRY!
8-20

THERE'S NOTHING BUT COUPLES OUT TONIGHT.

DAMN.....
.....

.....I WONDER IF HIKARI WILL STILL BE WAITING.
I CAN'T BELIEVE I MISSED THE TRAIN AT SUCH AN IMPORTANT TIME...

PITA (PAUSE)
I DECIDED I'D SAY IT TODAY, NO MATTER WHAT...
HUFF!
I MIGHT ALREADY BE TOO LATE...
HUFF!
BUT...

GYU (GRIP)
I'S OKAY, EVEN IF IT GOES BADLY...

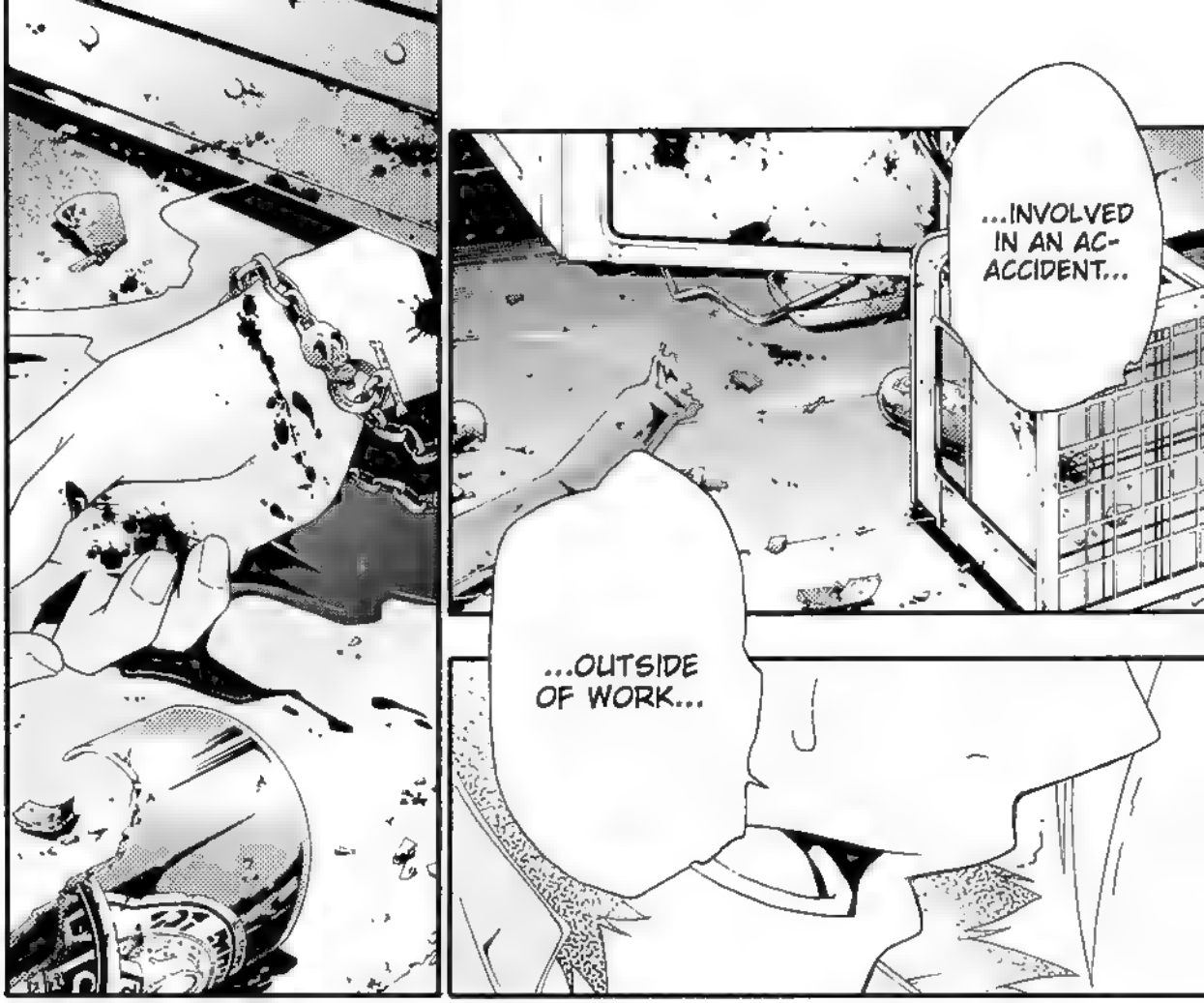
...I DECIDED I'D TELL HER HOW I FEEL!
ZAWA
ZAWA (BUSTLE)

HIKARI!!

HI.....

AH.....

GASHA (CLATTER)
ATSUYA-SAN WAS...



...AND WAS KILLED.

DOSA (FWUMP)
HEY...
GYU (GRIP)
HOW COME .....?
.....HUH?
HOW COME ATSUYA-SAN—
PO
PO (PLIP)
WHY DID ATSUYA-SAN HAVE TO DIE!?

UAAH
...
UWAAA
AAAAH
...!!

IF I
HADN'T
LIED TO
HIM...
...AND
DELAYED THE
MEETING
TIME...

IF.....

IT'S MY FAULT THAT HE DIED...

JI (222)

IT'S ALREADY...

UH.....

PIKU (TWITCH)

JARA (JANGLE)

...BEEN TWO YEARS SINCE THEN...

SHIT. I WAS DREAMING ABOUT THE PAST...

ZU (SCRAPE)

IT'S ALREADY...
UH.....
PIKU (TWITCH)
SHIT. I WAS DREAMING ABOUT THE PAST...
ZU (SCRAPE)

...BEEN TWO YEARS SINCE THEN...
JARA (JANGLE)

HAND-CUFFS .....!?
GICHI (STRAIND
GICHI
SHIT... I CAN'T GET THEM OFF!
!?
JARA (JANGLE)

WHERE AM I...?
IT'S TOO DARK FOR ME TO MAKE ANYTHING OUT.....

PICHA (PLIP)
WHA.....?

WHAT THE HELL IS THIS...?

WHAT THE HELL IS THIS...?

GH
(CREAK)
.....
GH

.....
GIII
T T II,
DAMMIT. MY HEAD IS SPINNING...
I'M HUFF ...
OW, OW, OW...

THIS IS ONE SICK, ELABORATE JOKE SOMEBODY'S PLAYING...
KO (CLUNK)

I THINK SOMEBODY CAME UP AND ATTACKED ME WHEN I WAS ON MY WAY HOME FROM SCHOOL YESTERDAY...

WHO WOULD DO SOMETHING LIKE THIS...?

...AND THEN.....
KA (CLACK)

VOICES ...!!
!
IS.....
KA
IS ANYBODY THERE!?
GIII (CREEEAK)

WHAT THE HELL IS THIS PLACE.....?

WHA .....!?

IS ANYBODY THERE!?

IS.....

I'M SURE I HEARD SOMEONE TALKING...

JARA (JANGLE)
THIS IS INSANE...

.....WHAT'S THAT?
ZÚ (SLIP)
ANOTHER ONE OF THESE ANIMAL HEADS...

GU (PUSH)
GU
OWW... WHAT'D I SLIP ON...?
BLOOD .....?
DOSA (FWUMP)
...!!?
WHA—!? WHERE DID THAT COME FROM.....?
ZURU (SLLUMP)

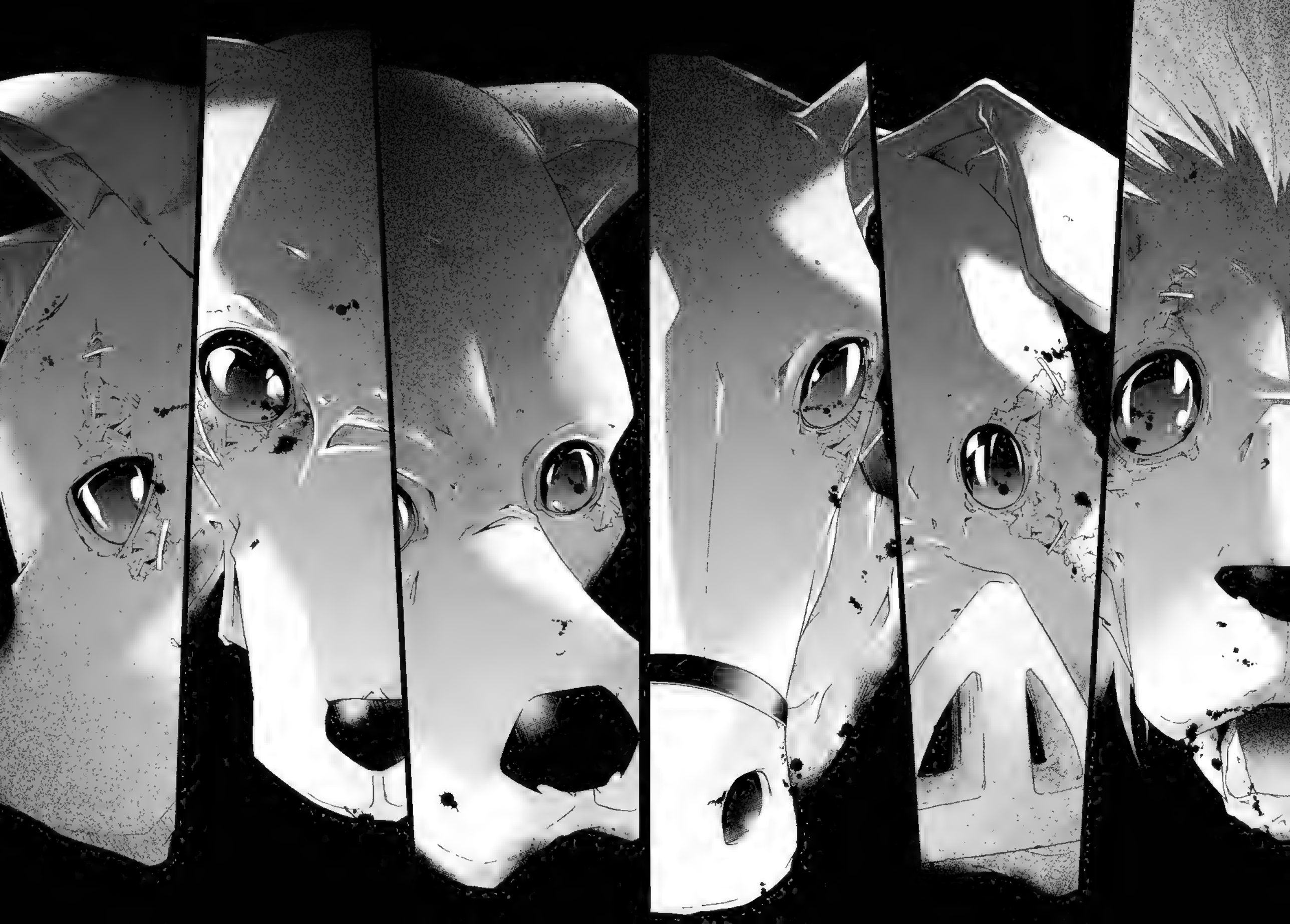
ZURU
(SLUMP)

DOSA
(THUD)
EEP!!

HE..... HE'S DEAD!?

DON (BUMP)
ZA (SCRAPE)
WHY!?
WHO WOULD DO SOMETHING LIKE THIS ...?

HUH .....?



KA (CLACK)
WH—
WHO THE HELL ARE YOU PEOPLE ...?
ZUZA (SCOOT)
ST..... STAY AWAY FROM ME!!
KA

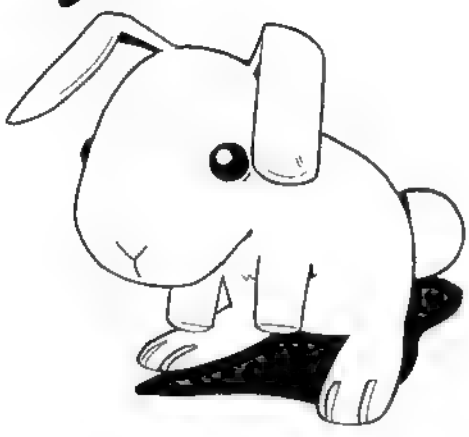
SO ALL NINE OF YOU HAVE GATHERED.
NOW...

...
"JUDGE"
...

...WILL
BEGIN.

...
"JUDGE"
...
...WILL
BEGIN.

Envy



CHAPTER 2 UNLOCKED

"JUDGE"
.....?

WHAT IS THAT SUPPOSED TO MEAN...?
KA (CLACK)

GET AWAY FROM ME!
JARA (JANGLE)
WHA.....
STAY BACK...
S...

.....
PLEASE
...
ZU
(SLIDE)
...PLEASE
DON'T
KILL ME
.....
GU
GU
(PULL)
GA
(SLAM)
!?

PLEASE
STOP.....

STOOOOOOOP!!

KACHI (CLICK)
.....
HUH.....?

WHY DID YOU.....?
WH.....
PA (FLICK)
JI.JI (ZZZT)
.....!

……!?

THE LIGHTS SUDDENLY ……!

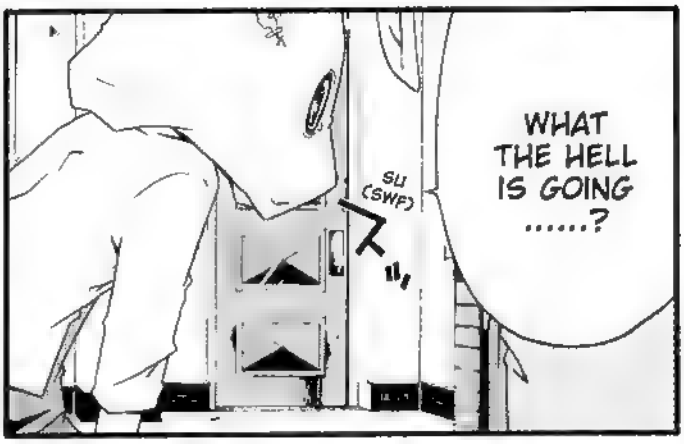
KUH ……!

.....!?
KUH
.....!

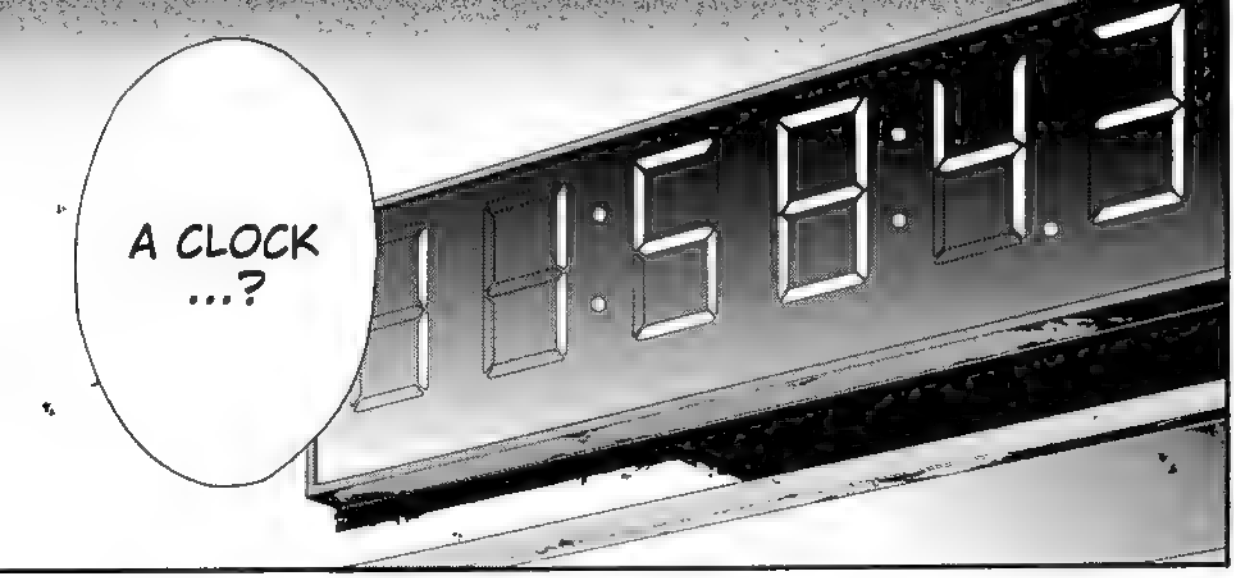
THE LIGHTS SUDDENLY .....!

?
DAMN.
MY EYES HAD GOTTEN SO USED TO THE DARKNESS THAT IT'S PAINFUL...
...WHAT IS THAT GUY POINTING AT?

WHAT ARE YOU ALL LOOKING AT?

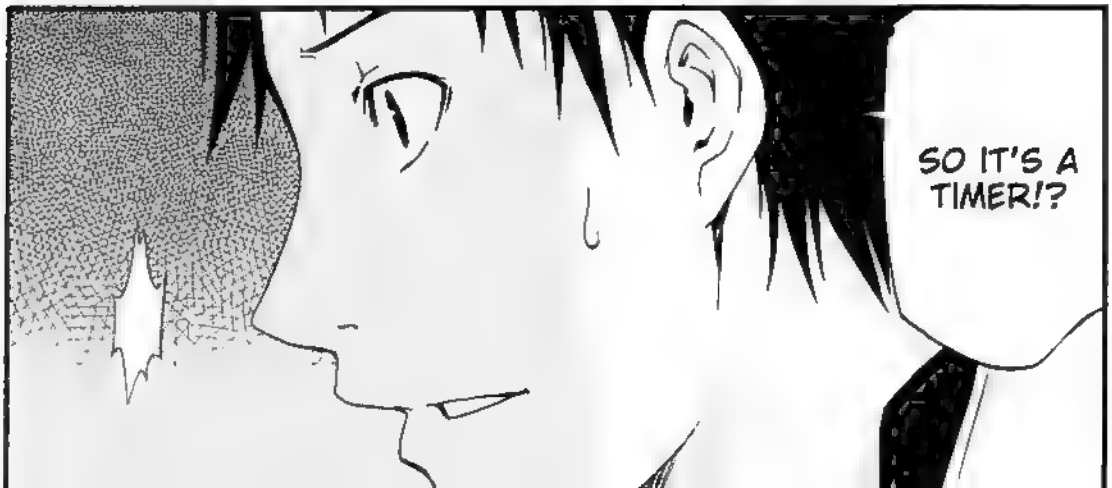

SLI (SWF)
WHAT THE HELL IS GOING .....?

WHA...? WHAT IS THIS...?

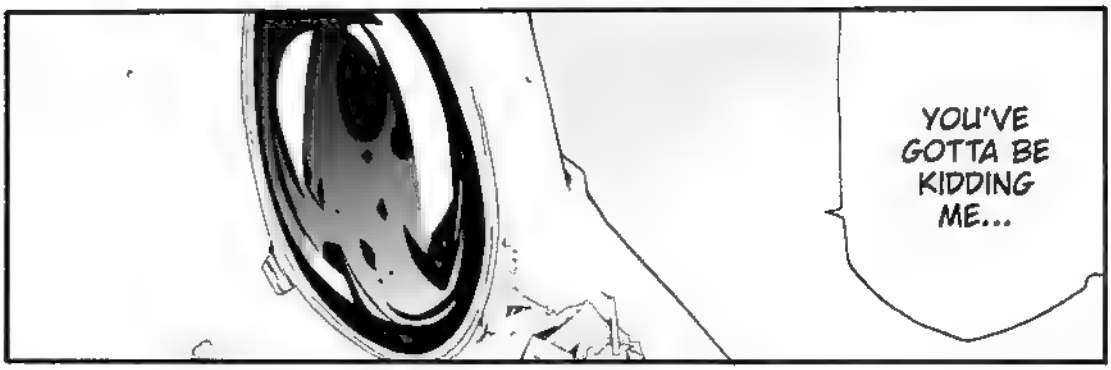

A CLOCK ...?

THE NUMBERS ARE COUNTING DOWN.

LOOK MORE CLOSELY.
!


SO IT'S A TIMER!?

.....I DON'T KNOW.
BUT WHAT EXACTLY IS THE TIMER FOR?


YOU'VE GOTTA BE KIDDING ME...

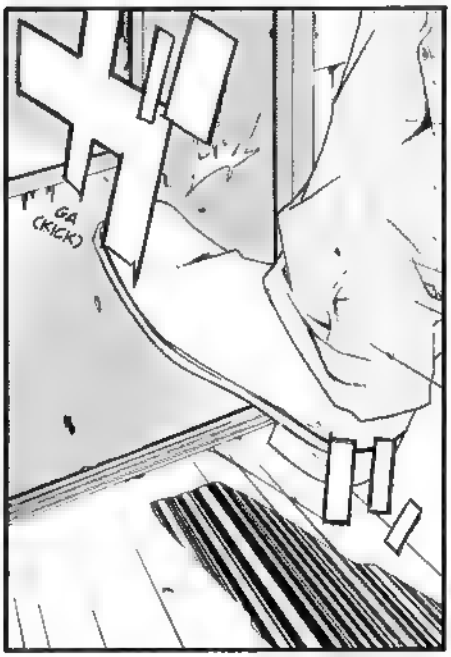
HOW CAN YOU NOT KNOW...?
AREN'T YOU THE ONES WHO SET ALL THIS UP!?

GA (GRAB)
WHAT THE HELL IS THIS...?
WHERE IS THIS PLACE!?
BIKU (FLINCH)
DO (THUD)
!?
ARE THEY TRYING TO SCARE US WITH THESE STUPID TRICKS!?

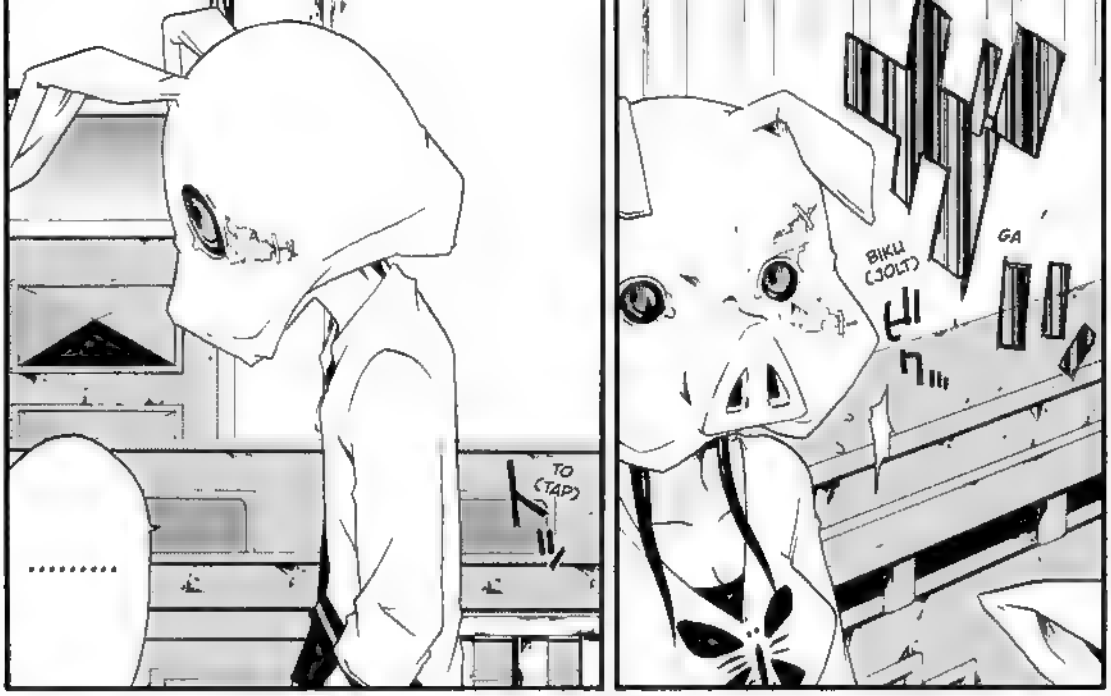
HUHN
.....?

DAMMIT!
.....?

HEH-HEH...
BUT YOU
ARE SCARED,
AREN'T YOU?


GA
(KICK)

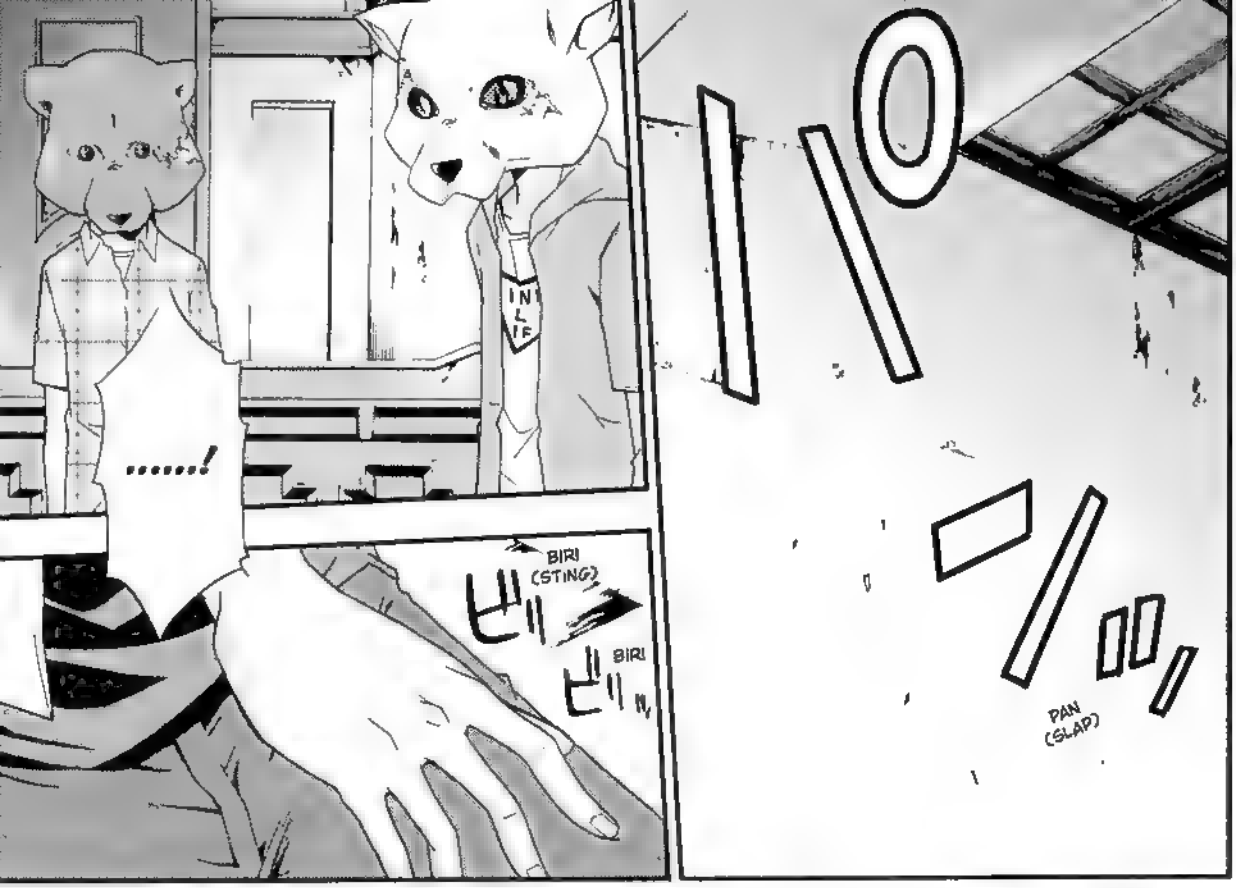
GEE, I
WONDER
...
WHO YOU
CALLIN'
SCARED!?


.....
TO (TAP)
BIKU (JOLT)
GA

WHA.....

WHAT'S WITH THESE GUYS...?

IF THEY AREN'T THE ONES...
...WHO BROUGHT ME HERE, THEN WHO ...?
SHIT!
THIS FREAKY THING...
HUFF ...
HUFF ...
...HOW MUCH LONGER AM I SUPPOSED TO KEEP THIS ON...?
GU (PUSH)


.....!
BIRI (STING)
BIRI
PAN (SLAP)

WHA—!?
WHAT THE HELL IS YOUR PROBLEM!!?

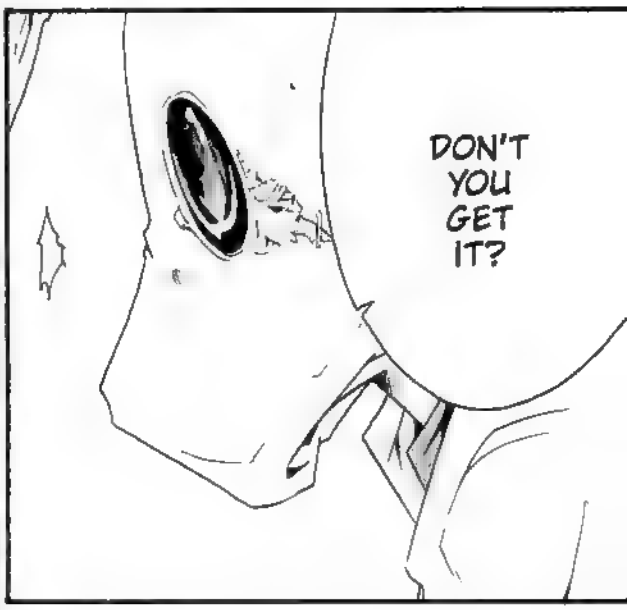
DON'T JUST STAND THERE, SAY SOME-THING!
SU (SWIP)
.....
SU
UNLESS YOU WANNA DIE, YOU PROBABLY SHOULDN'T TAKE THAT OFF.
DON'T YOUR LIFE
OTHERWISE YOU COULD END UP LIKE THAT GUY.

BEFORE YOU GOT HERE...
...THAT GUY DECIDED TO TAKE OFF HIS ANIMAL HEAD TOO...
.....EH?
...AND THEN SUDDENLY HE WAS WRITHING IN PAIN...
SERI-OUSLY ...?

...BUT YOU SHOULD LEAVE IT ON FOR NOW.
I DON'T KNOW HOW THESE THINGS ARE RIGGED....

WHO ARE YOU PEOPLE ...?
WHO.....

EH.....?


DON'T YOU GET IT?

KON
(KNOCK)
WE'RE ALL IN THE EXACT SAME POSITION AS YOU.

ARE YOU ALL RIGHT?

THAT'S...

YOU'RE LYING, RIGHT...?

GARI (SCRAPE)

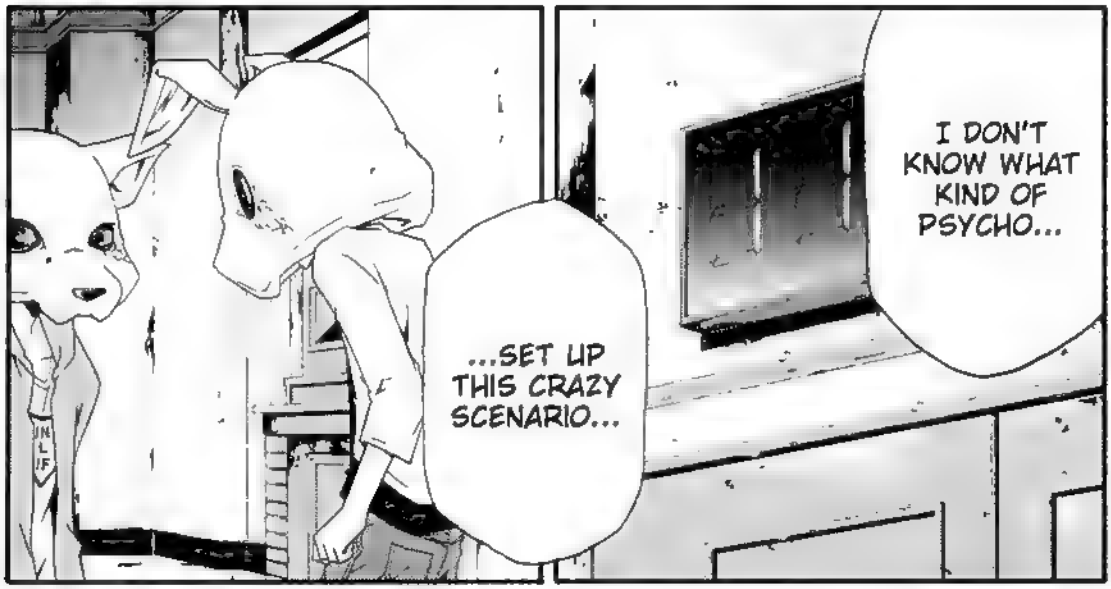
WE WERE ALL...

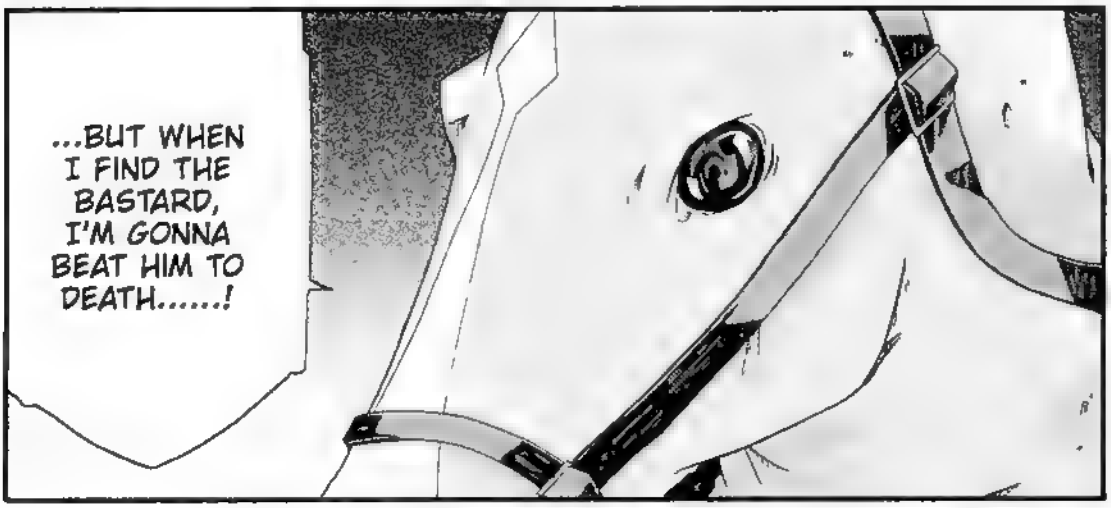
...ABDUCTED AND LOCKED UP IN HERE.

WE WERE ALL...
...ABDUCTED AND LOCKED UP IN HERE.

ARE YOU ALL RIGHT?
THAT'S...
GARI (SCRAPE)
YOU'RE LYING, RIGHT...?

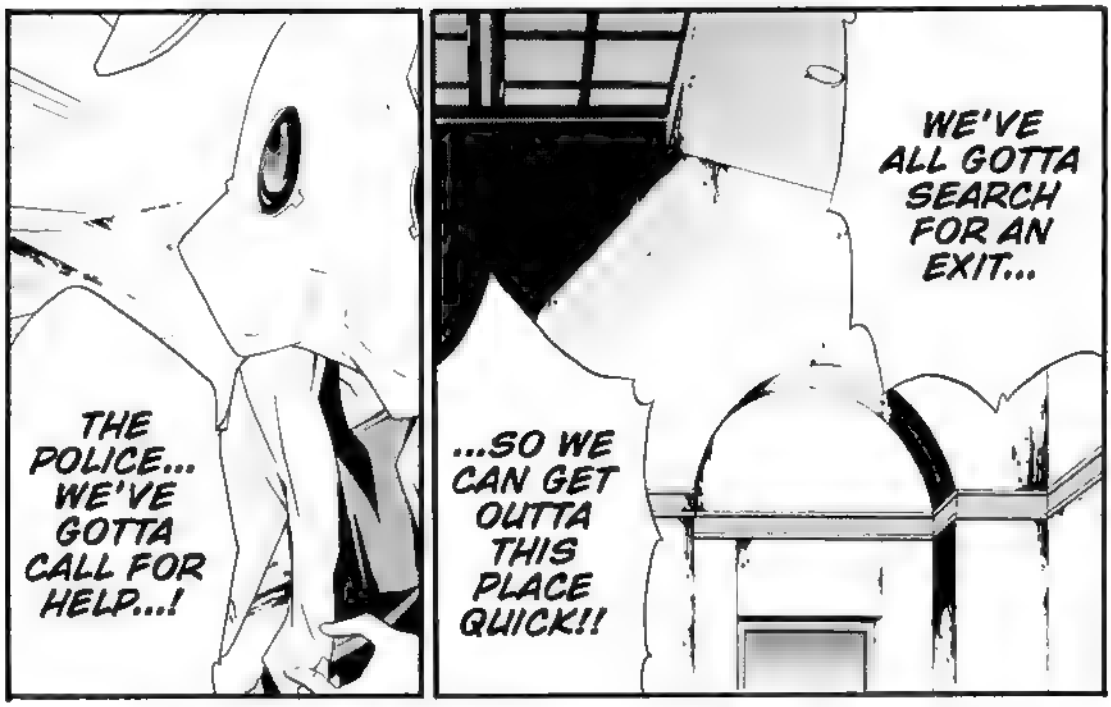
WHAT GOOD WOULD IT DO FOR US TO LIE ABOUT IT!?
GA (KICK)

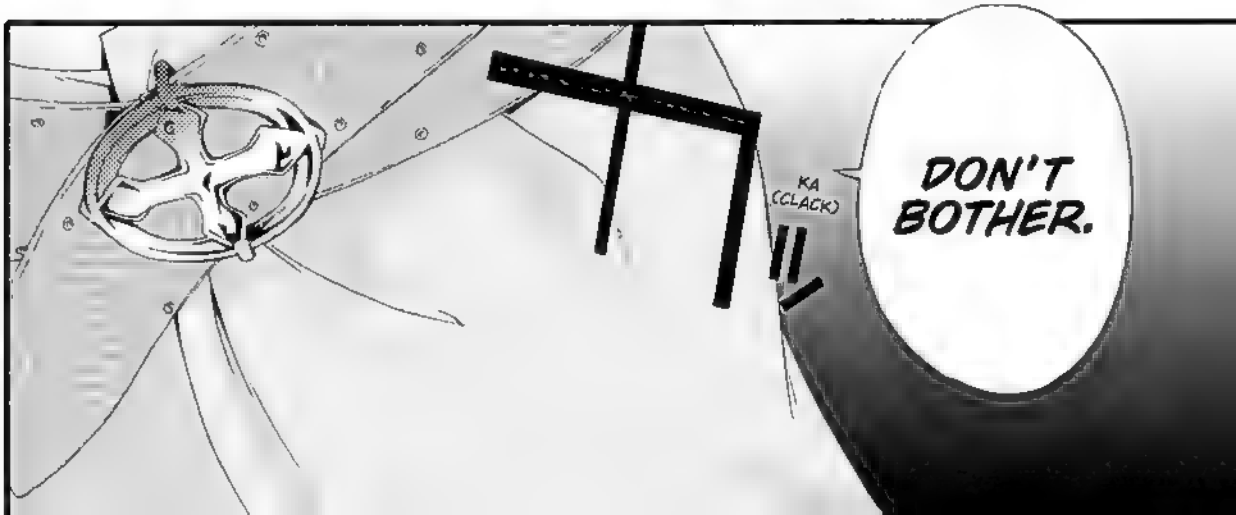

I DON'T KNOW WHAT KIND OF PSYCHO...
...SET UP THIS CRAZY SCENARIO...


...BUT WHEN I FIND THE BASTARD, I'M GONNA BEAT HIM TO DEATH.....!

.....
SU (SHWP)
OOH, SO SCARY!
I WONDER WHY MEN ARE ALWAYS SO SHORT-TEMPERED ...?
THE EXIT.....
=MUTTER=

AN EXIT... THERE'S GOTTA BE A WAY OUT!
THAT'S RIGHT!

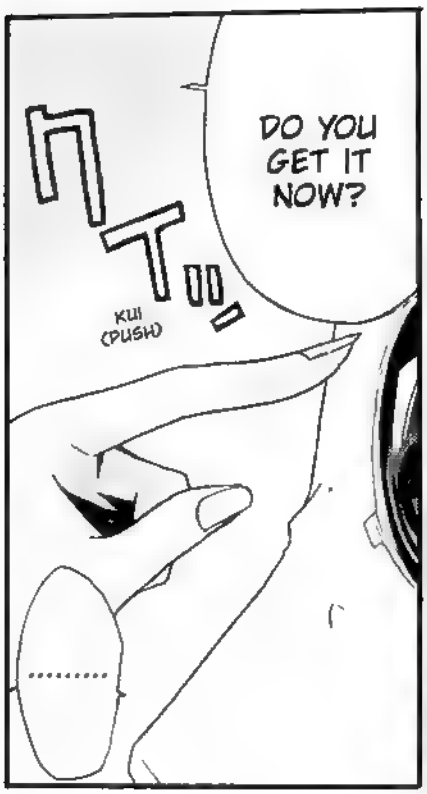

THE POLICE... WE'VE GOTTA CALL FOR HELP...!
...SO WE CAN GET OUTTA THIS PLACE QUICK!!
WE'VE ALL GOTTA SEARCH FOR AN EXIT...


KA (CLACK)
DON'T BOTHER.

JUST HOW LONG DO YOU THINK WE'VE BEEN STUCK IN HERE?
HUH .....?
...BUT AS THE ONE WHO'S BEEN HERE THE LONGEST, I'D GUESS IT'S ALREADY BEEN ABOUT HALF A DAY.
.....?
THAT LONG!?
"HOW LONG"...?
I DON'T KNOW THE EXACT AMOUNT OF TIME...
DON'T YOUR LIFE

YOU SAW IT TOO, DIDN'T YOU?
SU (SWP)

ON YOUR WAY HERE, IT WAS JUST A STRAIGHT PATH WITH NO OTHER EXITS...


DO YOU GET IT NOW?
KUI (PUSH)
.....

ALL THE DOORS THAT EVERYONE CAME FROM LEAD TO IDENTICAL PATHS...

...TO EMPTY ROOMS WITH NOTHING BUT A SINK AND A TOILET...

.....
WELL...
...THERE IS ONE DOOR THAT'S DIFFERENT FROM THE OTHERS...
CHIRA (GLANCE)
BUT THAT'S THE ONLY ONE THAT'S STILL LOCKED...
GATA (RATTLE)
IT'S SUPER-THICK AND WON'T BUDGE AN INCH.

THIS IS INSANE ...
BUCHI (RIP)
BUCHI
BUCHI
GU (TUG)

.....
BOTO (PLOP)
BOTO
HEY... WHAT'RE YOU DOING OVER THERE?

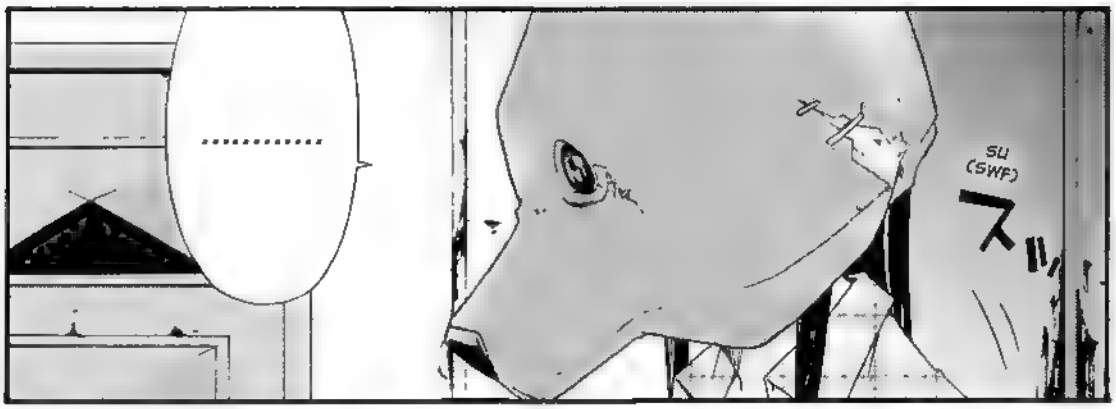
PIKU (TWITCH)

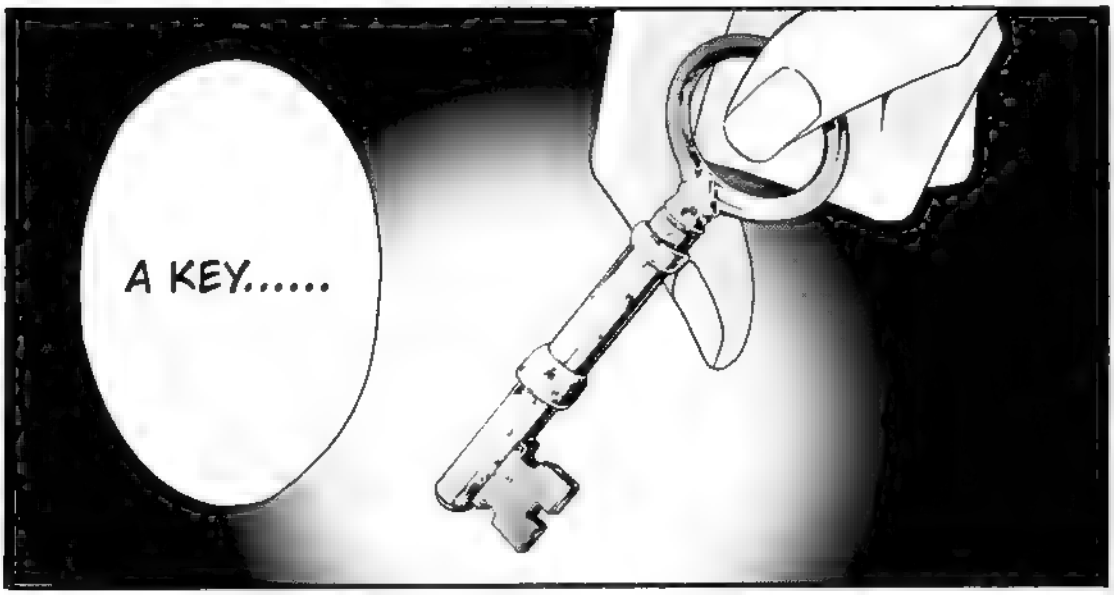
BIRI (RIP)
...WE'RE LUCKY IT DIDN'T GET BROKEN.
SU (SLIDE)

IT'S A VIDEO TAPE.
!!?
WHAT'S SOMETHING LIKE THAT DOING IN A STUFFED TOY...?

BA
(WHAP)
GIMME THAT!
WHEN IT WAS THROWN TO THE GROUND, I HEARD A STRANGE SOUND.
IF WE WATCH IT...
...IT MIGHT TELL US HOW TO GET OUTTA HERE...
SU
(SLIDE)
カチャ
KACHA
(CLINK)

HNN?


.....
SU (SWF)
スー

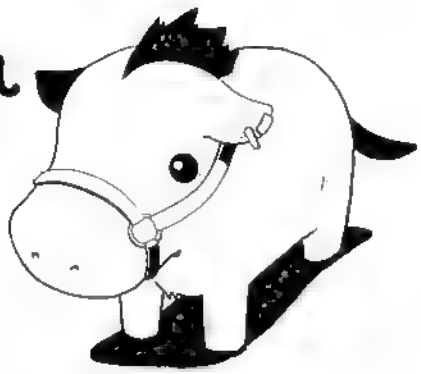

A KEY.....

BUT WHAT COULD IT BE FOR ...?
.....
WAS IT STUCK IN THERE WITH THE TAPE?
MAYBE ...!

IT'S A KEY TO THE EXIT...!?

Sloth

Wrath



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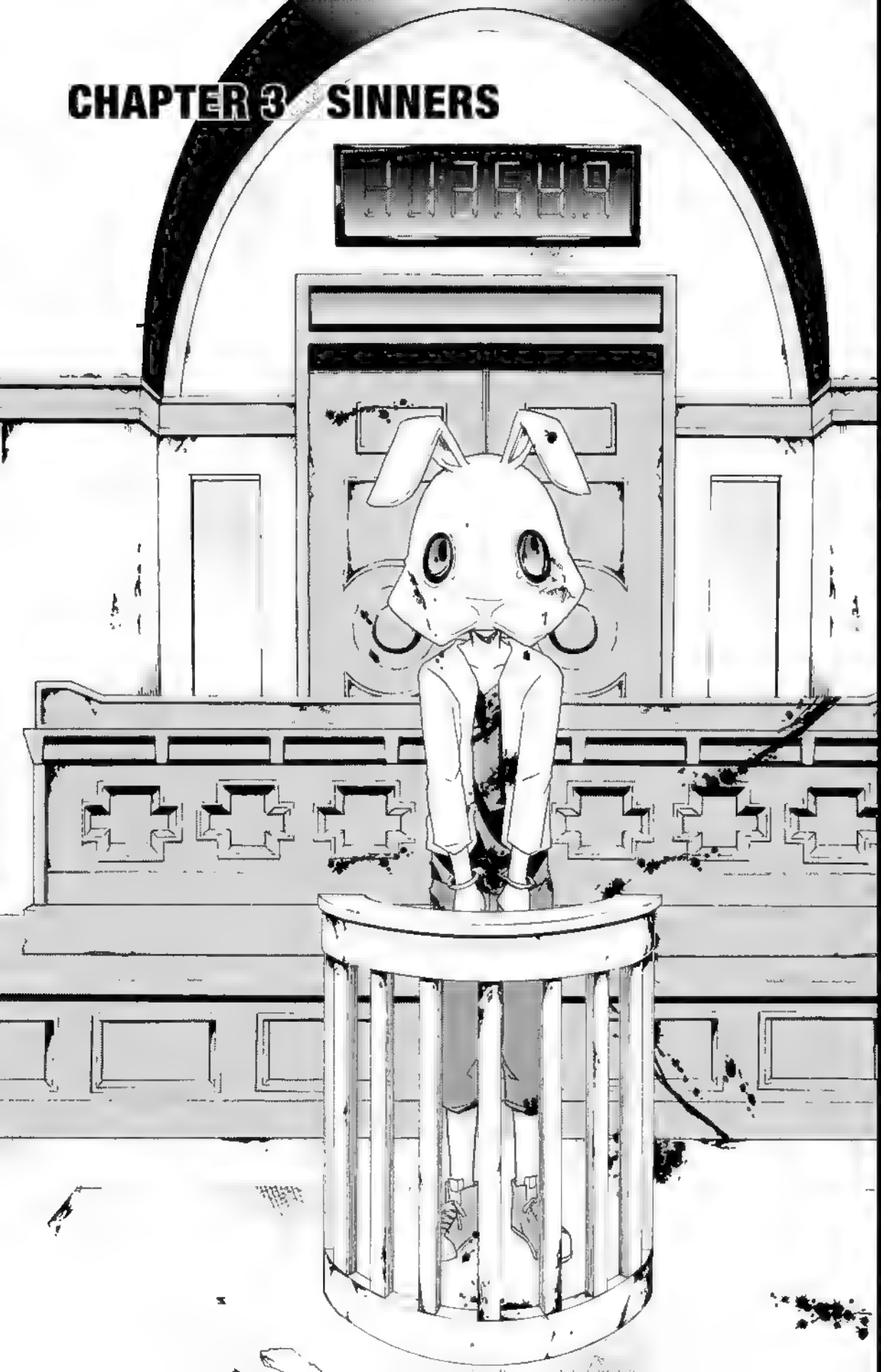


GARI (SCRAPE)
DAMMIT!
SO THIS ISN'T THE RIGHT KEY...?
GA (WHACK)
WHY WON'T IT OPEN !!?

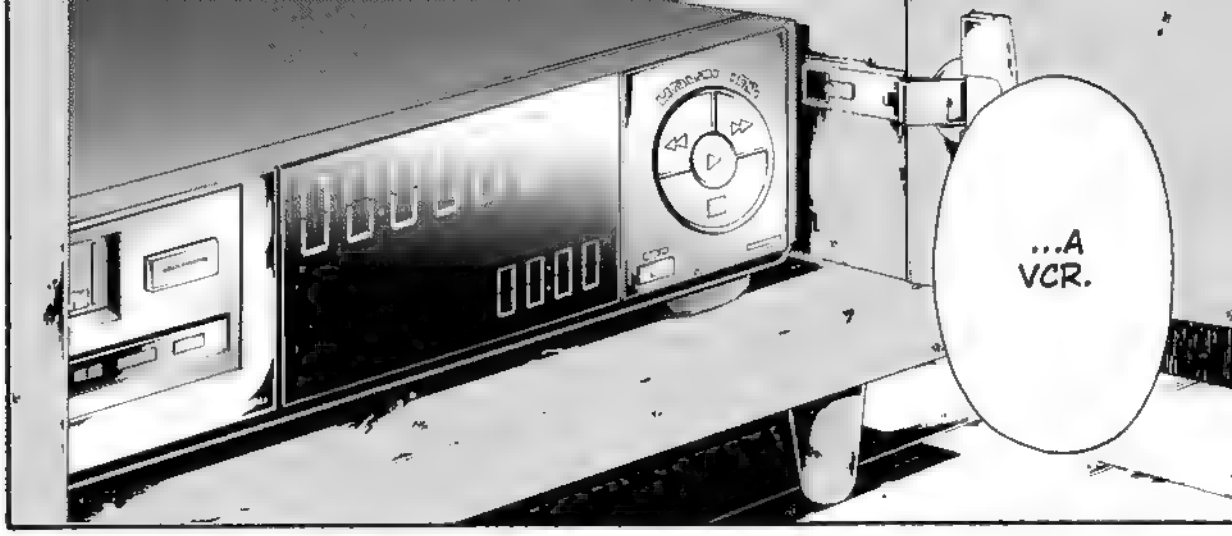
NO WAY...
GYU (SQUEEZE)
GA
THEY'RE SCREWIN' WITH US!
HEY!
...IS WATCH THAT TAPE...
THEN I GUESS THE ONLY THING WE CAN DO...
I DON'T KNOW IF IT'S WORKING, BUT...

.....
...MAYBE WE CAN USE THIS?

WHAT'S WITH THAT?
IT LOOKS LIKE IT'S PLUGGED IN, BUT THERE'S NO VCR...
UMM...

SU (REACH)
ISN'T THIS...

...A KEYHOLE?
GA (GRAB)
MOVE IT!
KACHA (CLICK)
.....!!
GII (CREAK)
SO THERE IS ONE AFTER ALL...

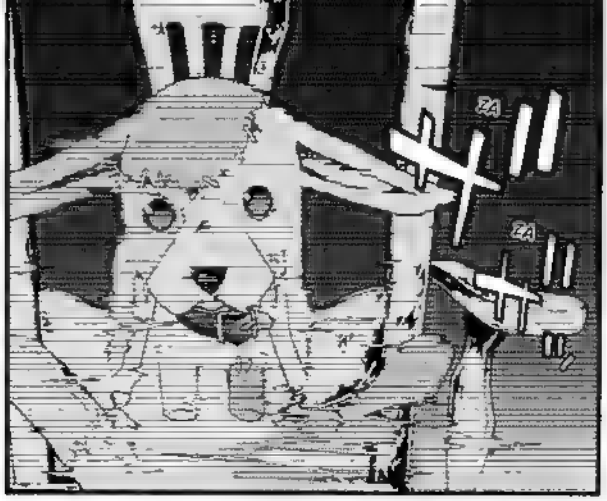

...A VCR.

.....

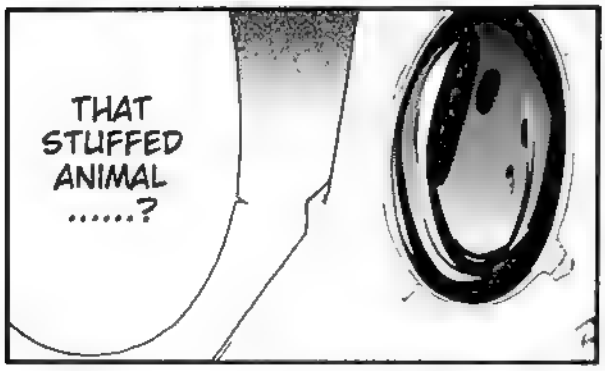
!?

...IS SOMETHING WRONG?

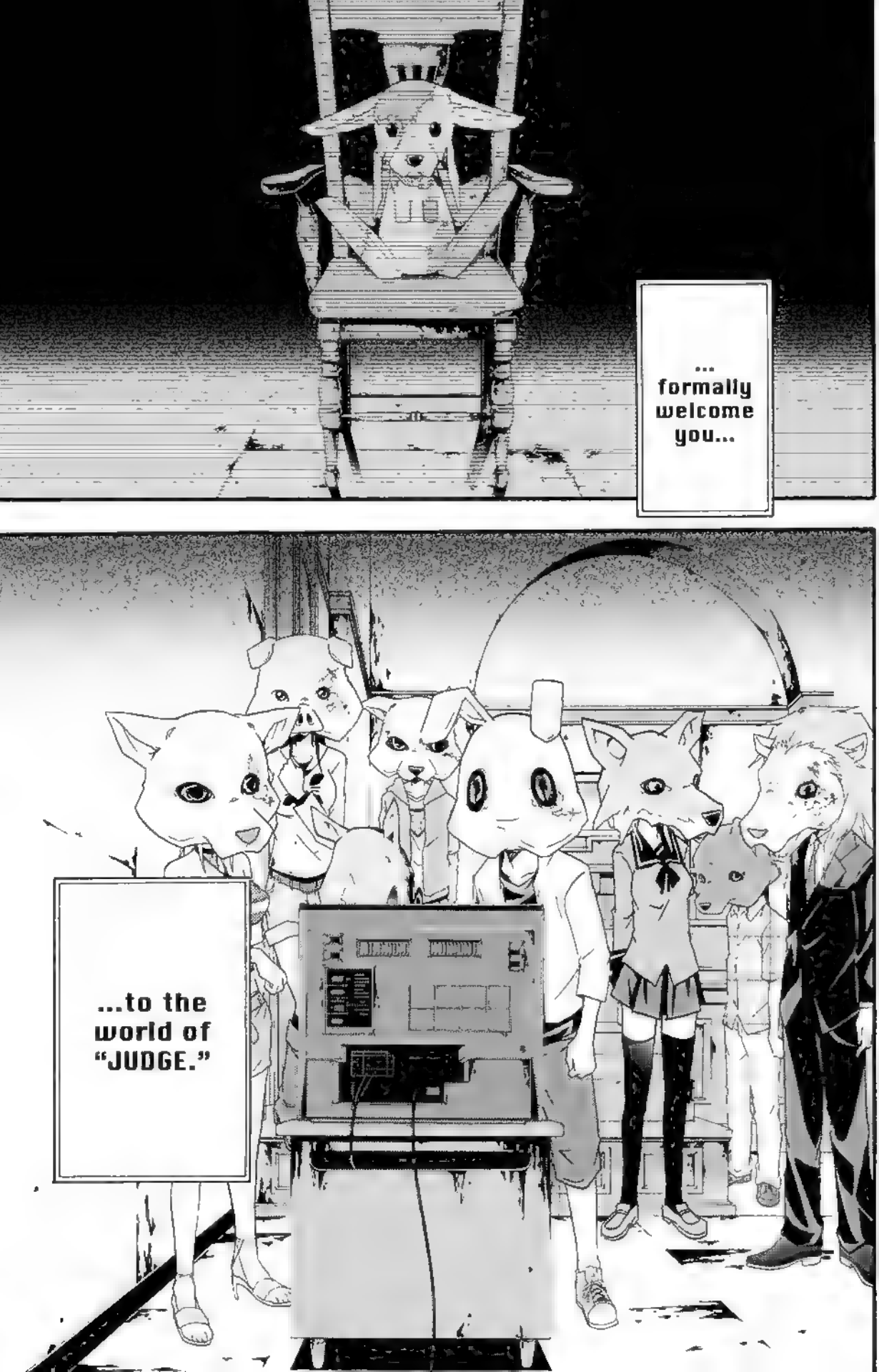
?
GI (CREAK)
N-NO... IT'S NOTHING.
FINE...
HURRY UP! C'MON, WE GOTTA PLAY THE TAPE!
THIS TAPE...
.....
GASHA (CLACK)


ZA
ZA

ZA
(ZZT)
ZA
ZA
...MIGHT REVEAL SOMETHING ABOUT WHOEVER'S RESPONSIBLE FOR ALL THIS.

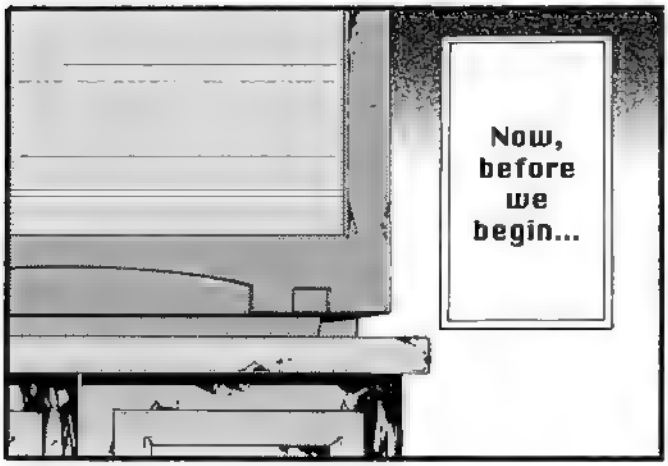

THAT STUFFED ANIMAL .....?

Everyone, let me...


... formally welcome you...
...to the world of "JUDGE."

HE SAID THAT BEFORE TOO.

"JUDGE" ...?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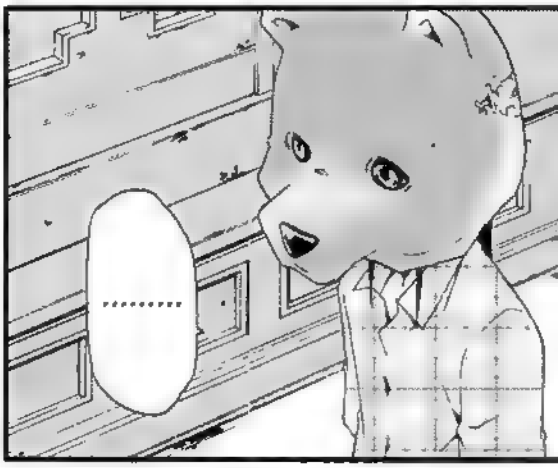
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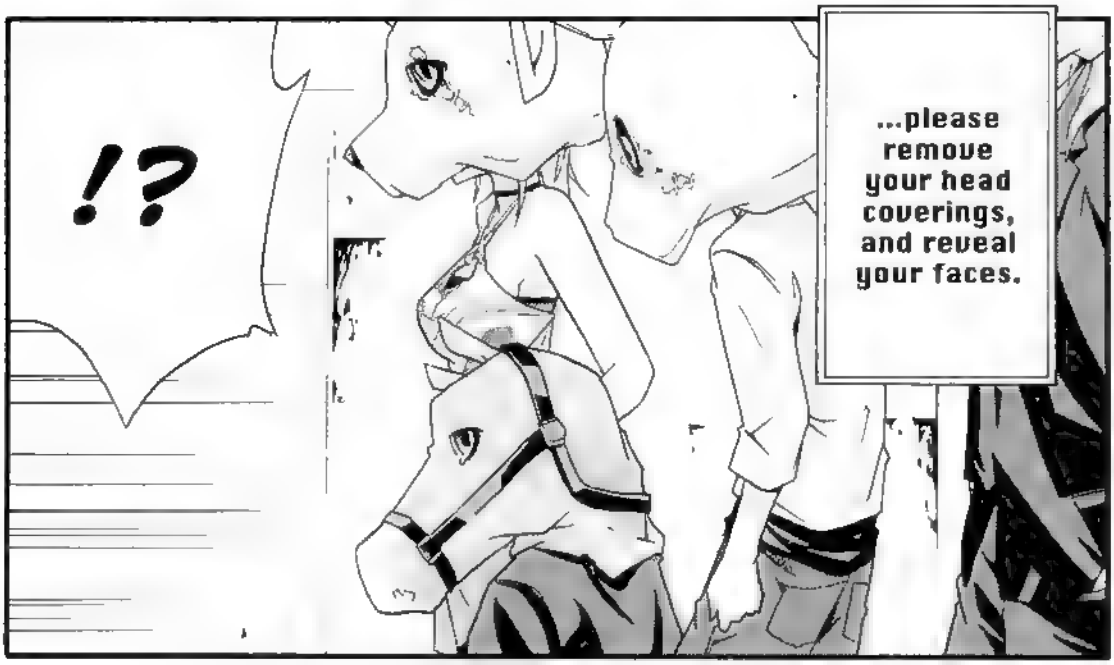
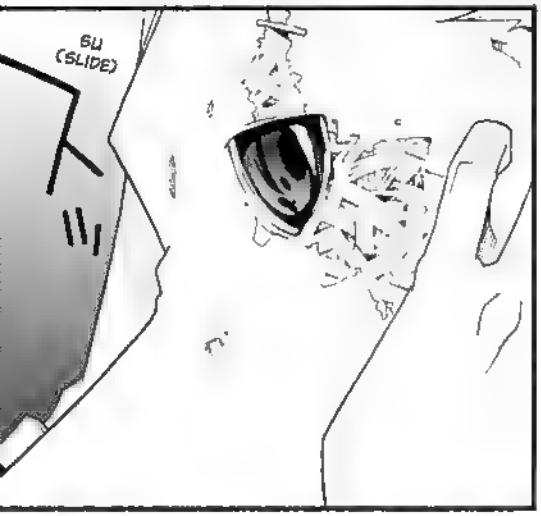

!?
...please remove your head coverings, and reveal your faces.

GO
CWHAM
WHA
.....!?
QUIT
FUCKING
AROUND
...
LIKE
HELL
I'M
DOING
THAT!!

YOU'RE JUST TRYIN' TO TRICK US...
...INTO KILLIN' OURSELVES, LIKE THAT GUY DID!
BUT .....
Y-YEAH!
GYU (SQUEEZE)
HEY!
GASA (RUSTLE)

WHAT...
...DO YOU THINK YOU'RE DOING!?


SU (SLIDE)

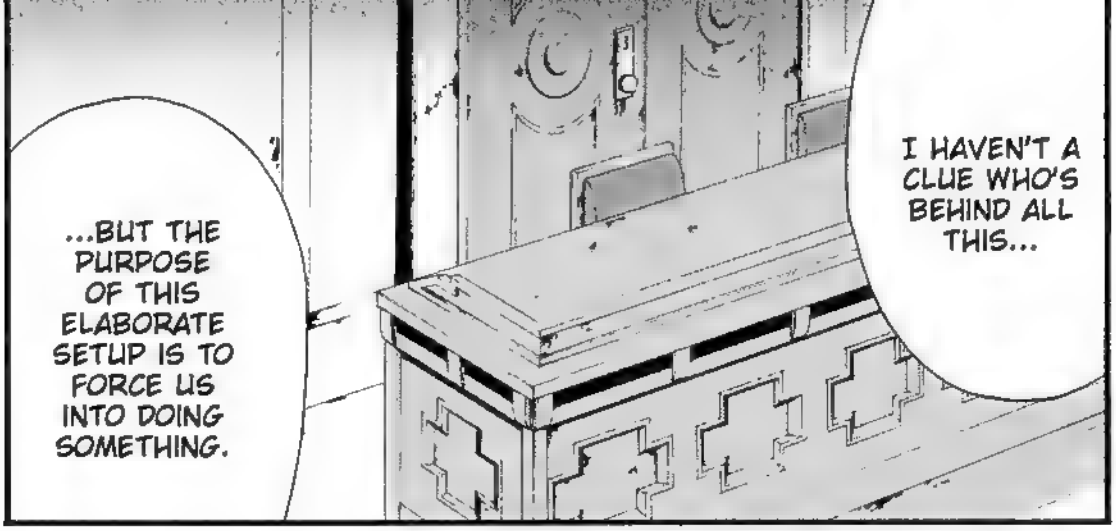
.....

D—! DON'T DO IT...

BA (LUNGE)

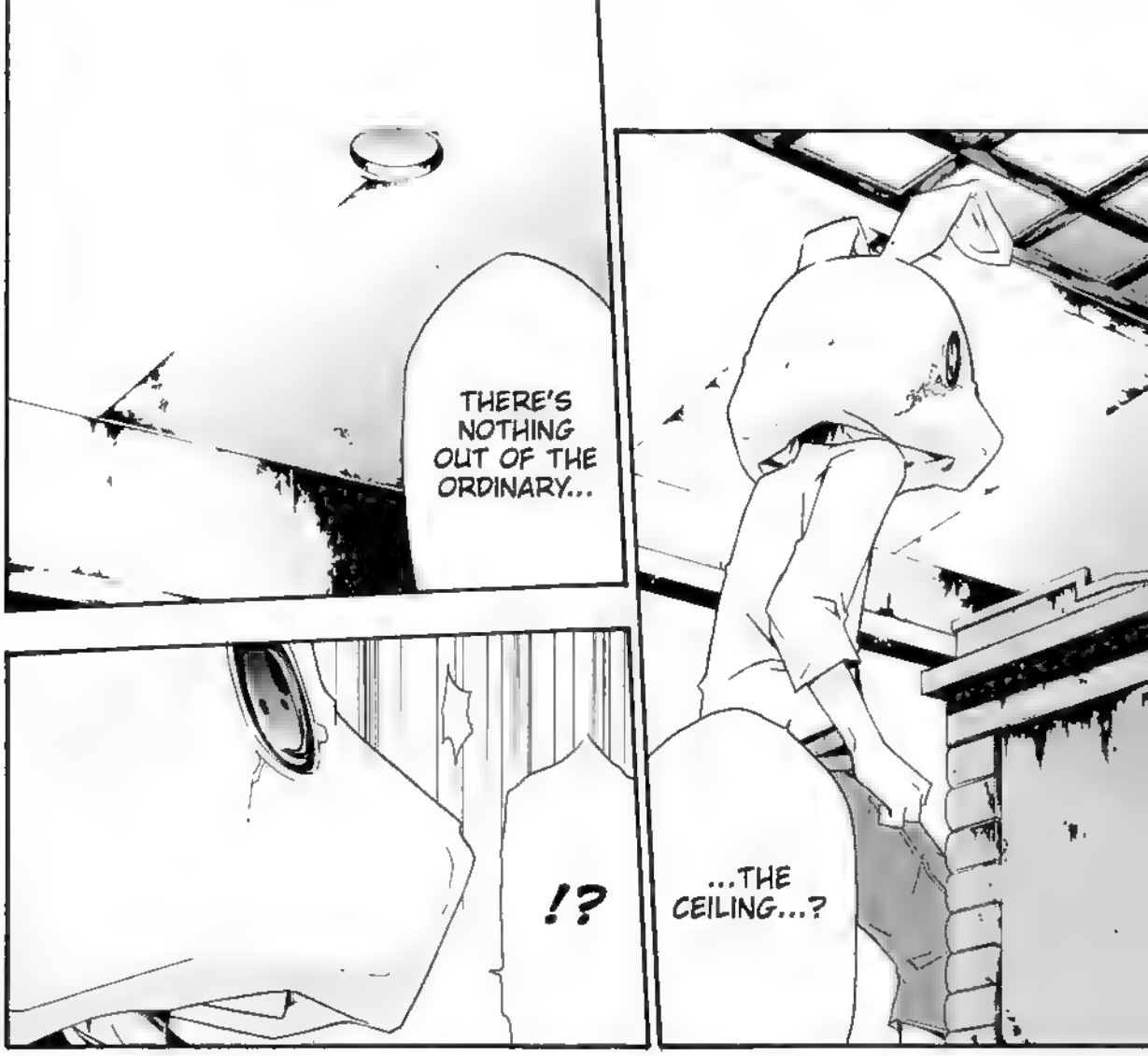
BA
(JUMP)
DO YOU HAVE A DEATH WISH!?
!?
CHIRA
(GLANCE)
.....
IT COULD BE A TRICK TO KILL US!!

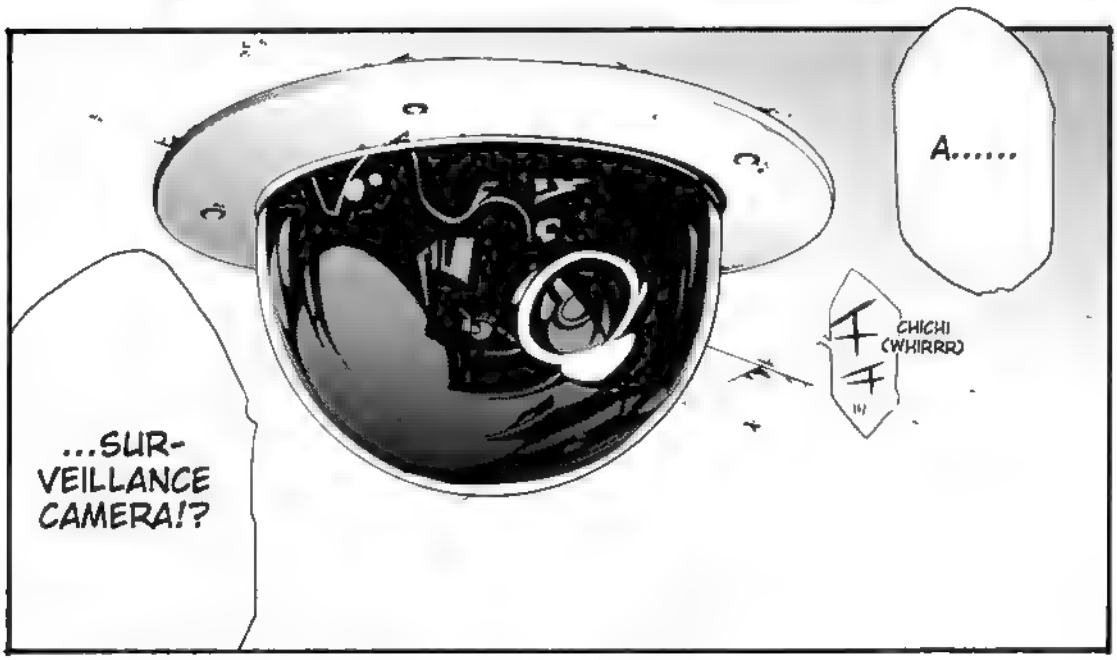
KOTO (CLUNK)
HUH.....?
IT'S ALREADY BEEN TWENTY SECONDS.
GYU (TUG)
WHEN THE MAN WITH THE PIG HEAD TOOK IT OFF...
...HE IMMEDIATELY EXPERIENCED A GREAT DEAL OF PAIN AND DIED.
SU (SLIDE)
MY PULSE IS NORMAL.
IT SHOULD BE SAFE TO REMOVE THEM.

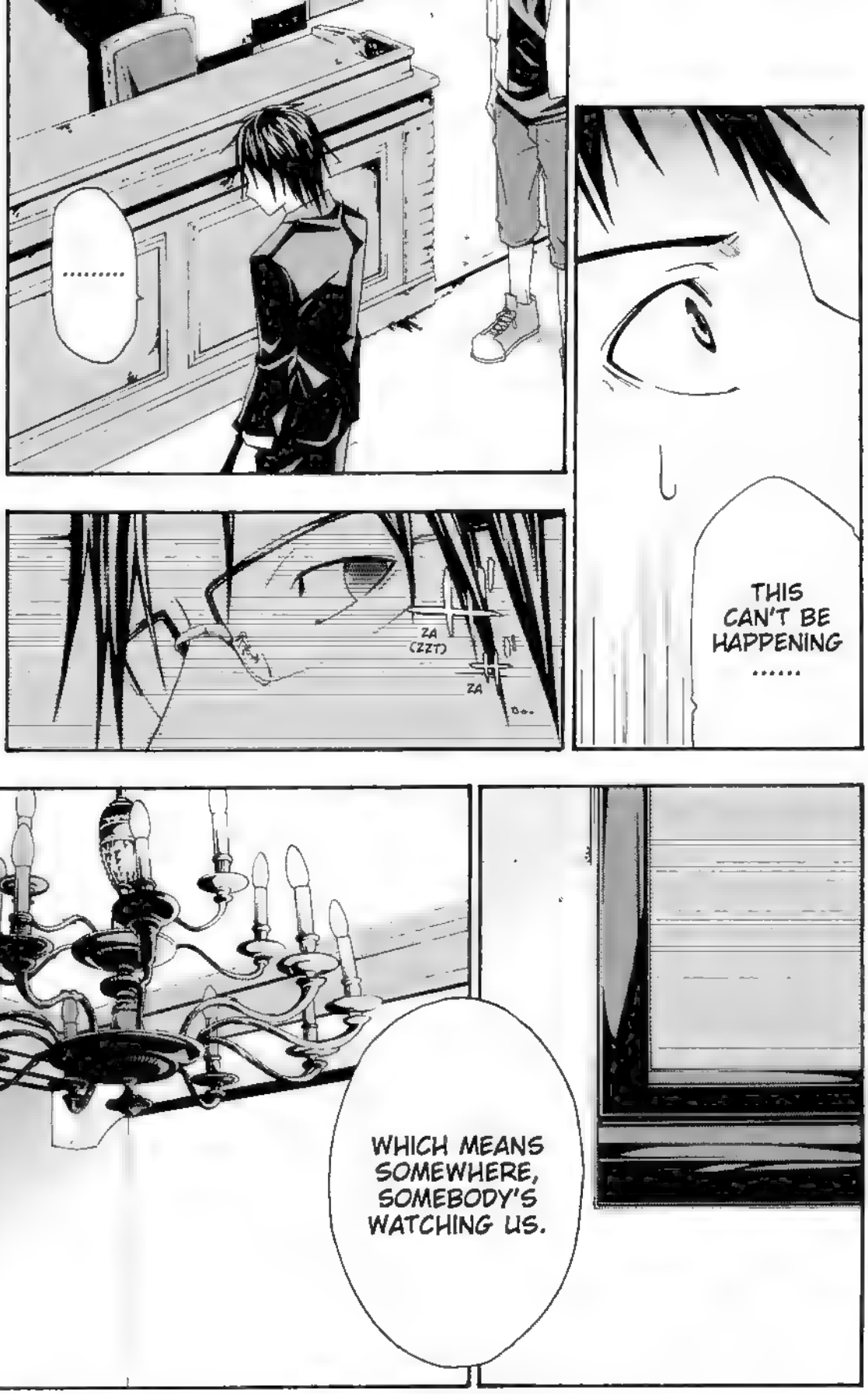

I HAVEN'T A CLUE WHO'S BEHIND ALL THIS...
...BUT THE PURPOSE OF THIS ELABORATE SETUP IS TO FORCE US INTO DOING SOMETHING.

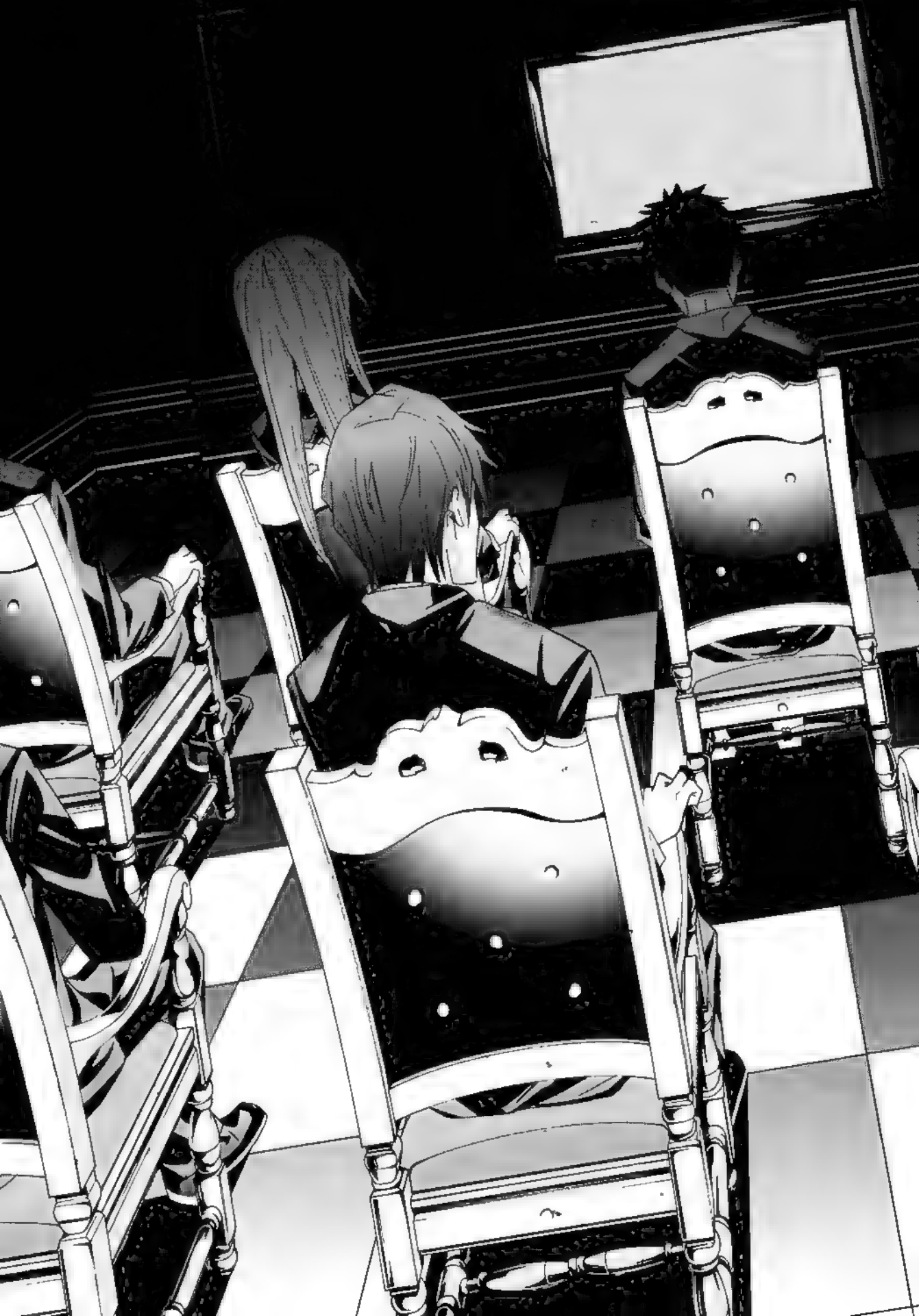
IF THEY SIMPLY INTENDED TO KILL US, WE'D ALREADY BE DEAD.
.....

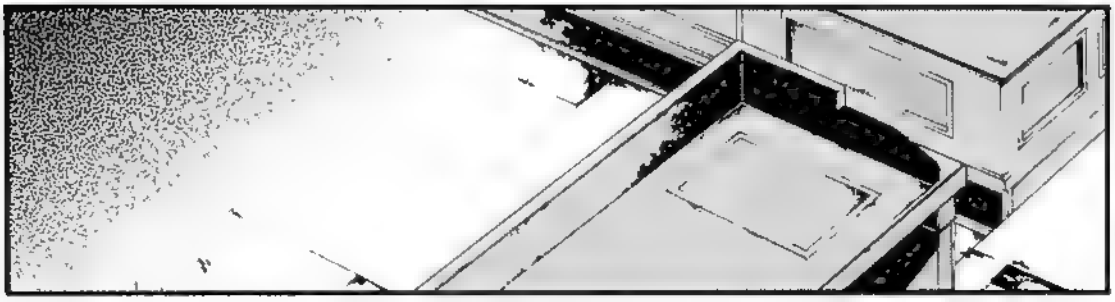
.....BESIDES...
JIRI (CRUNCH)
...TAKE A GOOD LOOK AT THE CEILING.


THERE'S NOTHING OUT OF THE ORDINARY...
...THE CEILING...?
!?


A.....
CHICHI (WHIRRR)
...SURVEILLANCE CAMERA!?


.....
THIS CAN'T BE HAPPENING .....
ZA (ZZT)
ZA
D...
WHICH MEANS SOMEWHERE, SOMEBODY'S WATCHING US.





TH-
THEN...
...WHY DID THE PIG GUY DIE?

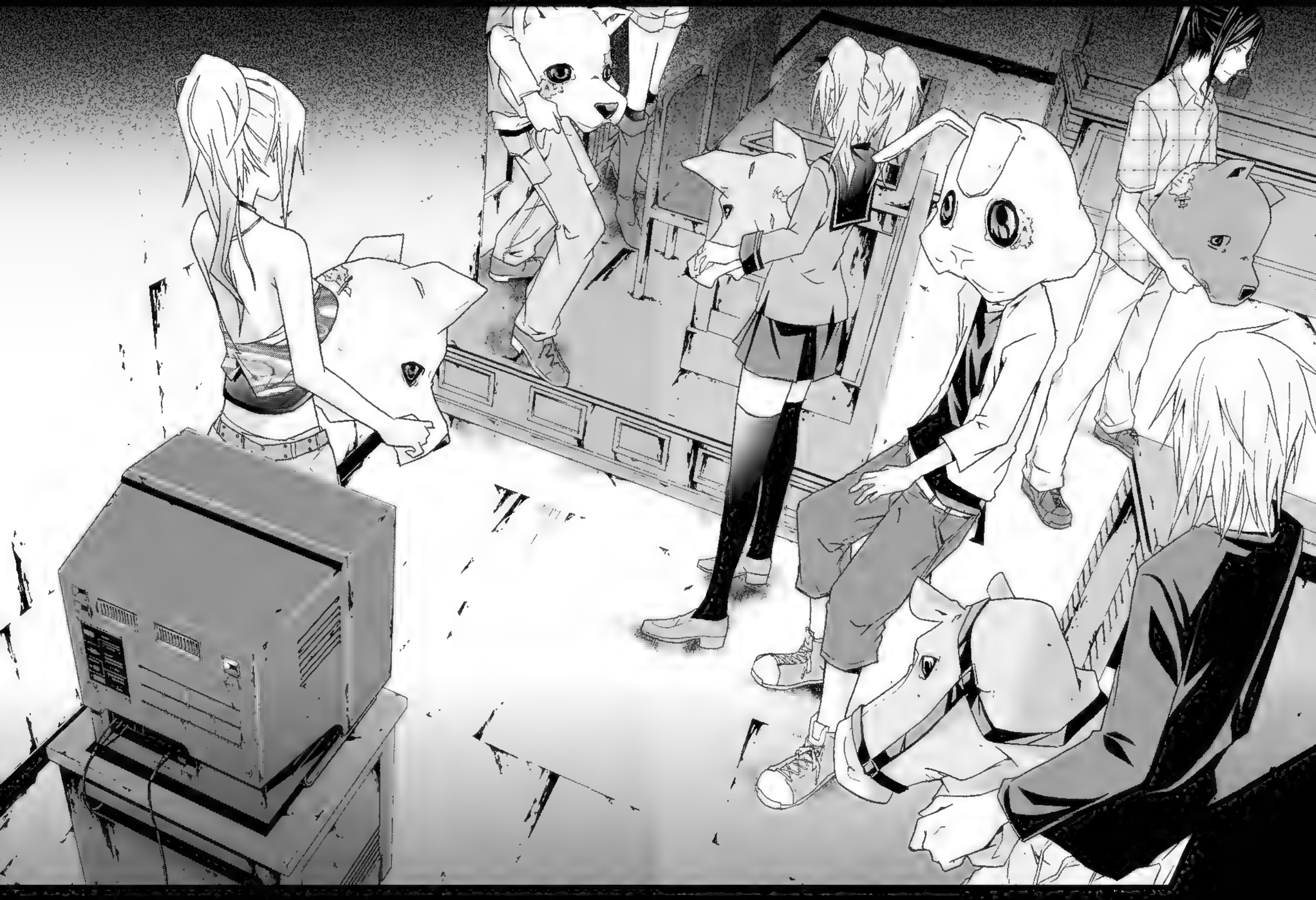
WHAT THE HELL IS GOING ON HERE ...?

IF THEY REALLY WANTED SOMETHING FROM US, THEN THEY WOULDN'T HAVE KILLED HIM, RIGHT?

BUT THAT GUY DIED BEFORE WE WERE ALL GATHERED HERE.
...MAYBE IT WAS BECAUSE HE REMOVED IT BEFORE THE TIMER STARTED.
...THAT'S TRUE.
.....
SO I THINK IT ACTUALLY MIGHT BE MORE DANGEROUS TO LEAVE THEM ON.
NOW WE'VE BEEN TOLD IT'S OKAY TO REMOVE THEM.

HOLD ON...
I'M TAKING MINE OFF.
.....!
I-I'M TAKING MINE OFF TOO!
GU (TUG)
LIKE I'M GONNA BE SCARED OF SOMETHIN' LIKE THIS!

スリ
SU
(SLIP)
.....
M...
ME TOO
...
THEN SO
WILL I.....
NO, YOU
GUYS...
...I DON'T
THINK YOU
SHOULD...
WELL, IF
EVERYONE
ELSE IS
GONNA...
STOP
.....



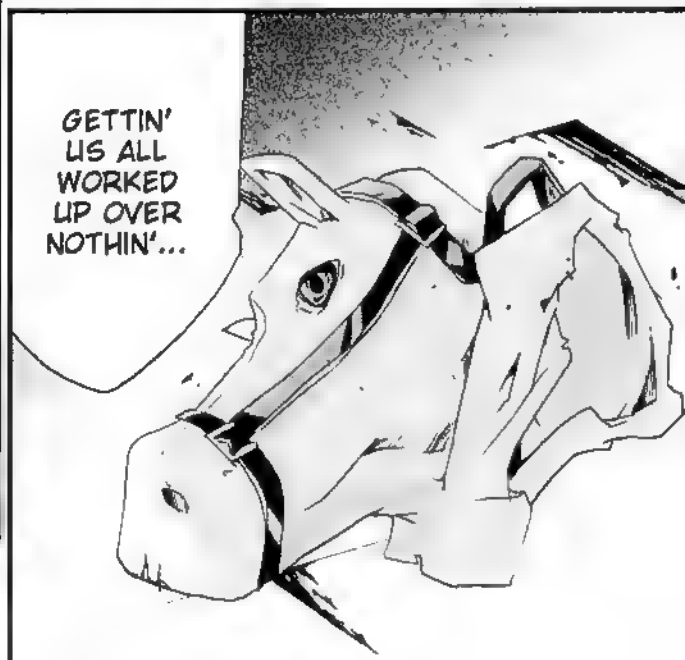
EVERYONE'S OKAY... RIGHT?

PHEW ...

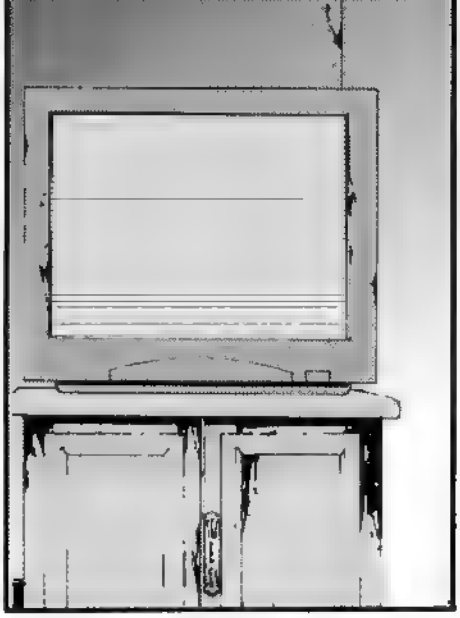
FUSA (FLUFF)

ASS-HOLES...

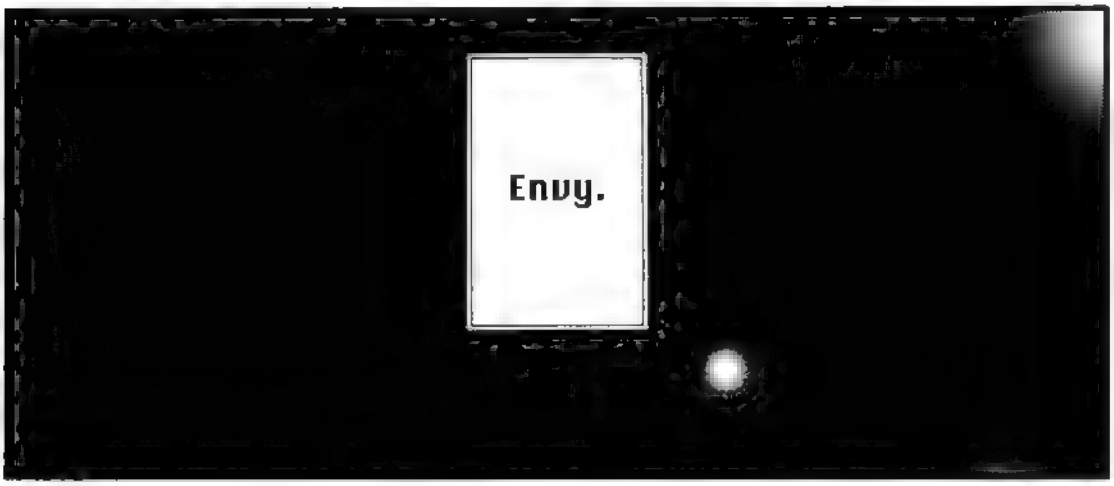
BIKU (JOLT)
BAN (BANG)


GETTIN' US ALL WORKED UP OVER NOTHIN'...

.....
WHAT'RE YOU GOING TO DO?
EH...?
.....OOH.
SU (SLIP)
I-I'LL TAKE MINE OFF TOO!



YOU'RE NOT TOO BAD LOOKING!
.....


Envy.

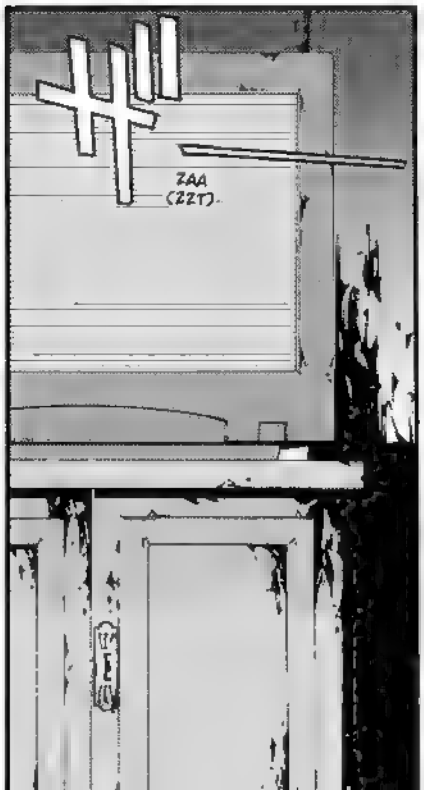
Sloth.
Wrath.
Greed.
Gluttony.
Pride.
Lust.

You, who carry the weight of the seven deadly sins...

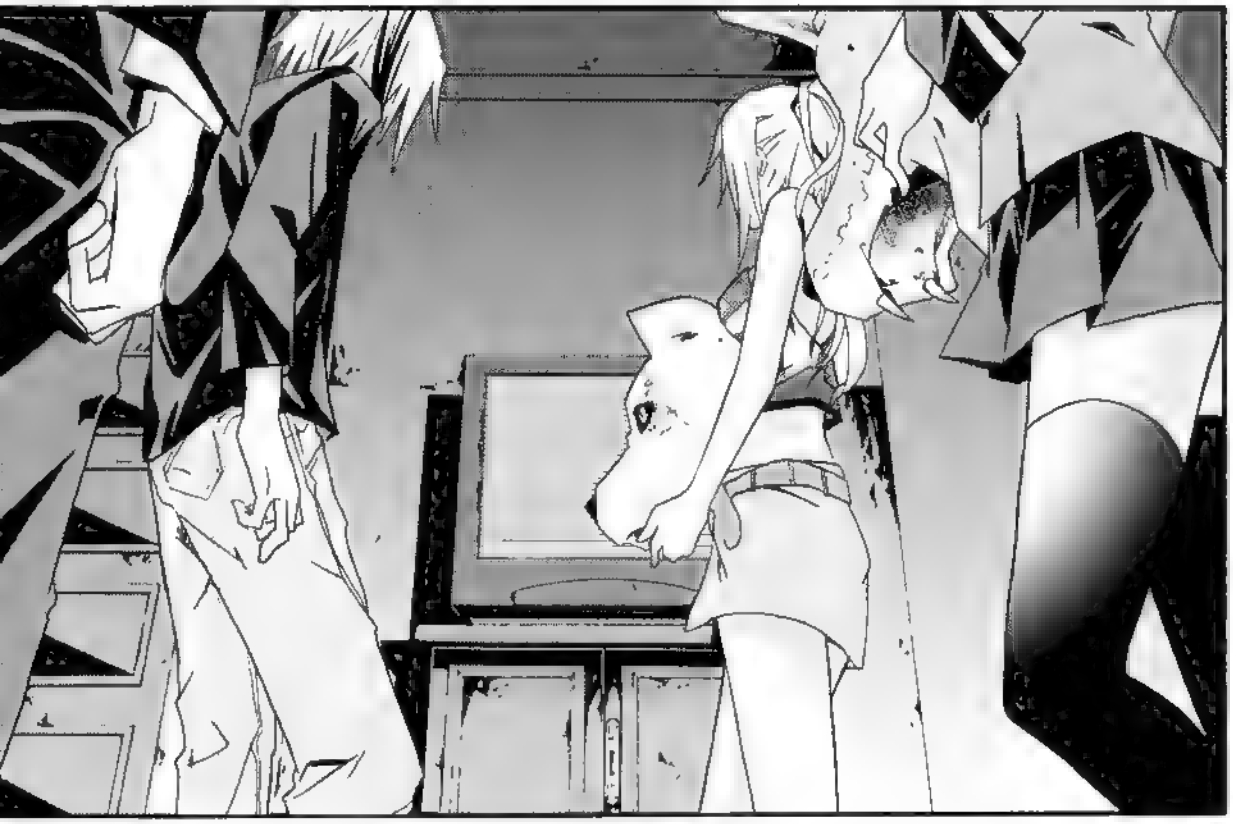
...are being given the opportunity to atone for them.

BOSO (WHISPER)
IT'S NOT POSSIBLE ...
Every time the timer reaches zero...
...you must offer up one of your number as a sacrifice.

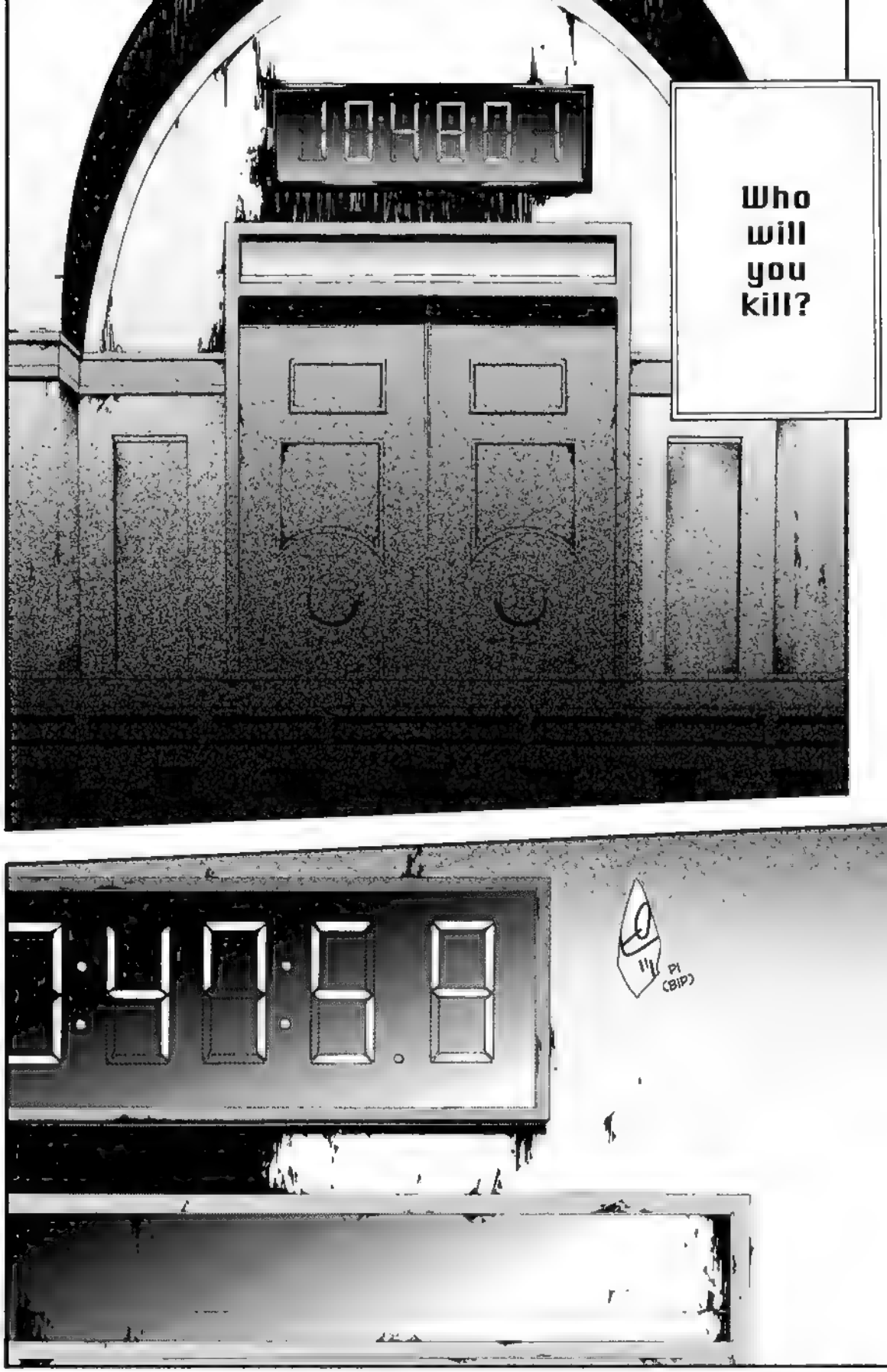
!?
Only four people will survive in the end.


ZAA (ZZT)

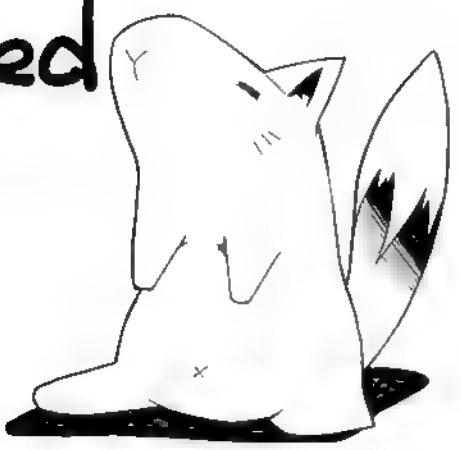
WHAT .....!?



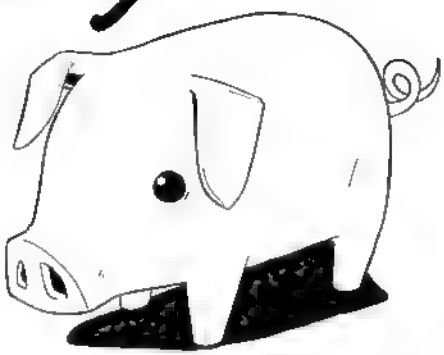
...judge one another's sins.


Who will you kill?
PI (BIP)

Greed



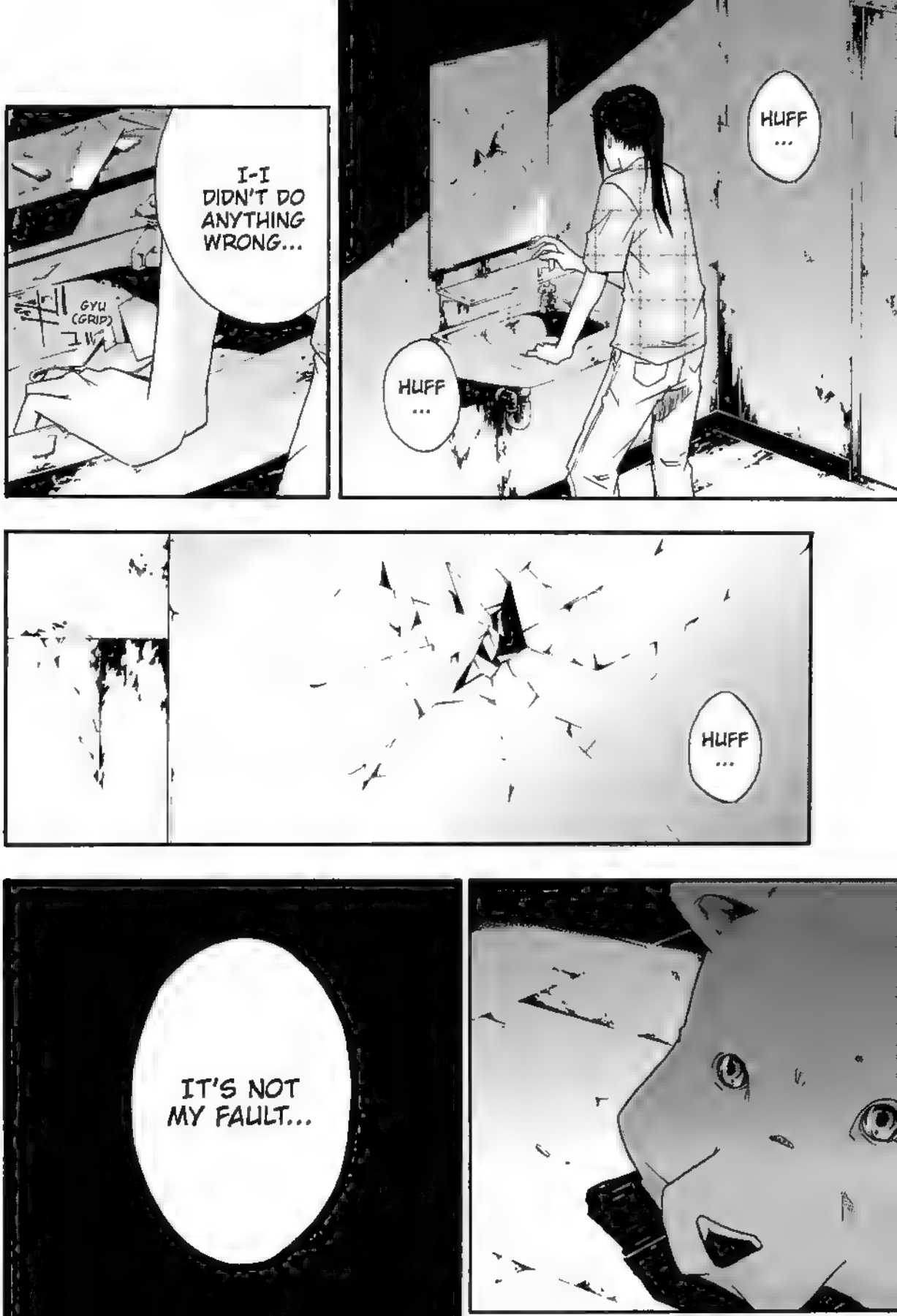
Gluttony



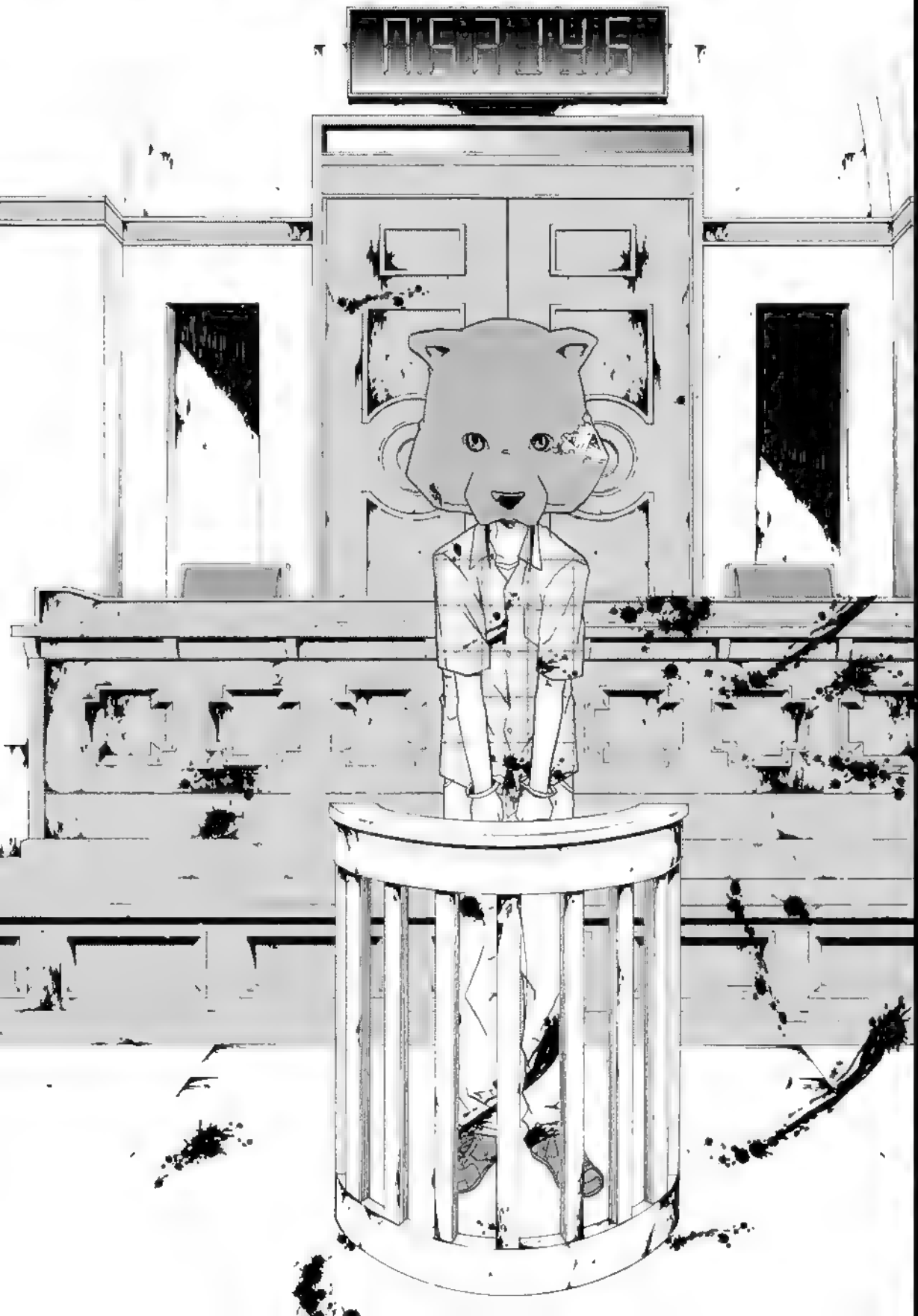
NOBUYUKI.
PIKU (FLINCH)
ARE YOU UP?
YOU STILL WON'T GO TO SCHOOL?
YOU'VE ALREADY TAKEN A WHOLE MONTH OFF...

AS IF I COULD GO TO SOMETHING LIKE THAT...
YOU KNOW THE NEIGHBOR'S KID PLACED 50TH IN THE MOST RECENT NATIONWIDE MOCK EXAM.
HIS MOTHER HAPPILY ASKED ME, "ARE YOU GOING TO THE PARENTS' GET-TOGETHER NEXT WEEK?"
AS YOUR MOTHER...
...I'M SO HUMILIATED...
On to our next story...
We have breaking news on a crime that occurred today.

Early this morning, a murder was committed by a minor...
GA
CWHAM


I-I DIDN'T DO ANYTHING WRONG...
GYU (GRIP)
HUFF ...
HUFF ...
HUFF ...
IT'S NOT MY FAULT...

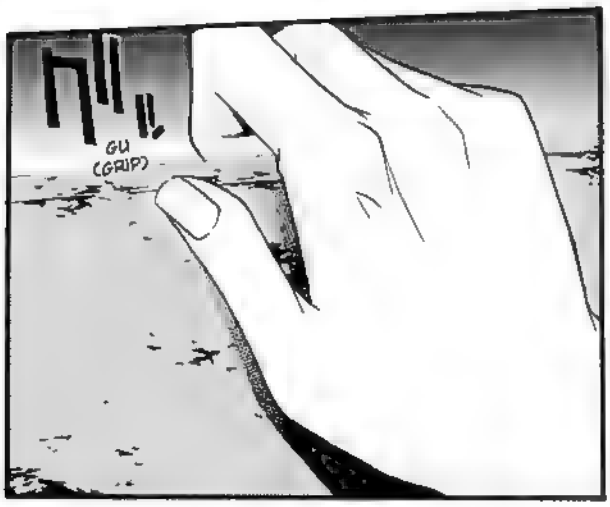
CHAPTER 4 RECLUSE



GASHA
(CRASH)
HUH...?
GI
(SQUEAK)
WHAT WAS THAT NOISE?

.....
チラ
CHIRA (GLANCE)
03:12:04
...THERE ARE THREE HOURS LEFT...
カチャ
KACHA (CLACK)
SIGH...

JUDGE.....


GU
(GRIP)

.....

Please choose a person to kill every twelve hours.

AND THEN...?
!?
Afterward, the person with the greatest number of votes...
...will be taken as a sacrifice.

However ...
...If not all participants have gathered at the time judgment is to commence ...
...you will all have to atone for your sins.
Only four people will survive to the end.
You yourselves will determine who those four are going to be.

BU (BCHT)
Have a good time...
And that is all, everyone.
DON'T YOUR
...TO CHOOSE SOMEONE TO KILL...?
RETA (PLOP)
IT... SAID.....

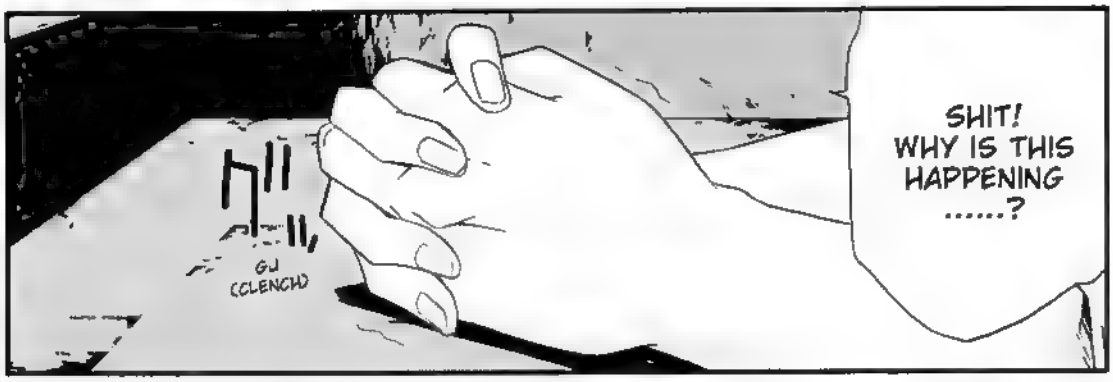
JUST TAKE ME BACK HOME ALREADY!!
I CAN'T TAKE THIS ANYMORE...
WHAT IS GOING ON HERE.....!?
KURL (PWIP)
.....ISN'T IT OBVIOUS?
HEY...
WHERE ARE YOU GOING!?

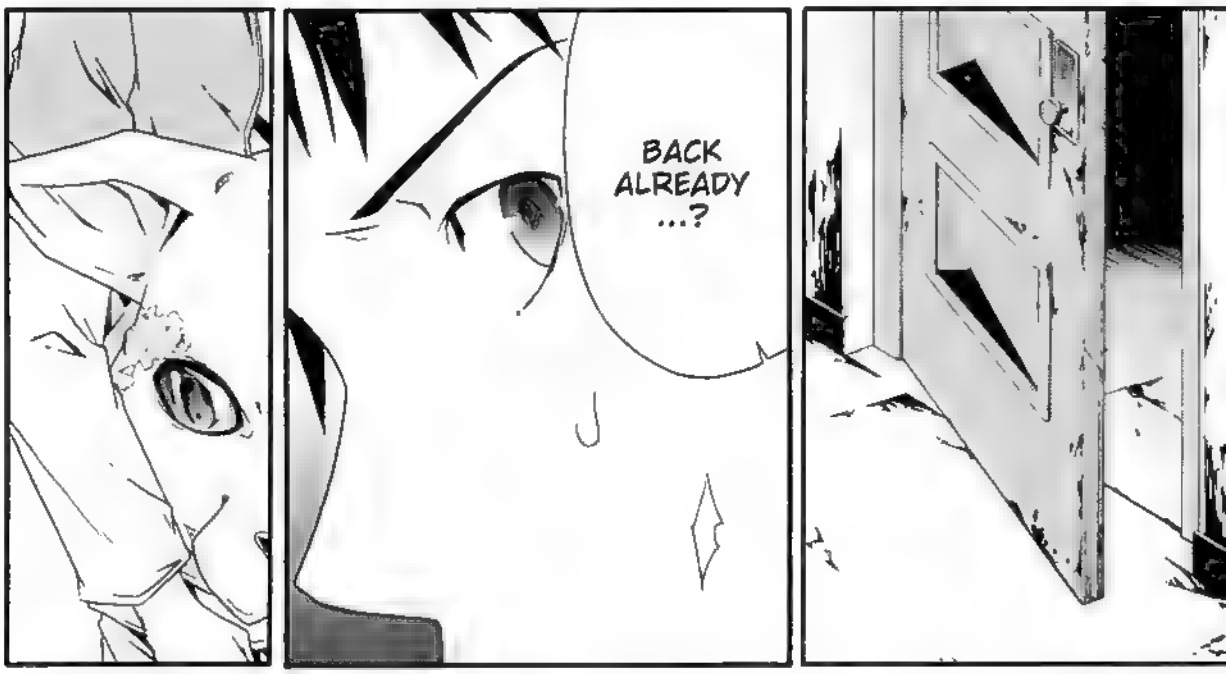
I DON'T WANT TO HANG AROUND WITH THE PEOPLE WHO MIGHT MURDER ME.
UNTIL IT'S TIME, I'M GOING BACK TO THE ROOM WHERE I STARTED.
GU (GRAB)
WHA.....!?
HOLD ON!
DON'T DO THAT. WE SHOULD ALL TRY TO FIGURE THIS OUT TOGETHER.
IF WE DO THAT, WE CAN COME UP WITH A WAY TO GET RESCUED...
.....
I'M OUT TOO.

YOU WANT US TO ALL BE BUDDIES, BUT WHO KNOWS WHEN WE'LL GET BETRAYED?
EH.....?
I THINK I'D BE BETTER OFF... ALONE...
M..... ME TOO...
WELL, THEY DO HAVE A POINT...
KOKU (NOD)
.....

BA
(FWIP)
THERE YOU HAVE IT.
YOU CAN'T BE...
10:15
WHEN THERE'S AN HOUR LEFT, LET'S MEET BACK HERE.
WAI.....!
KA
(CLACK)
BATAN
(SLAM)

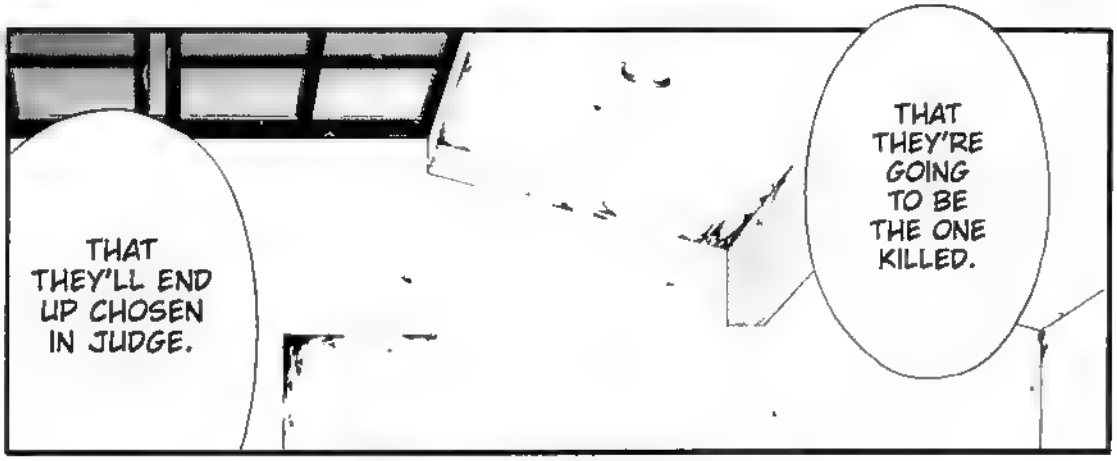
.....


SHIT!
WHY IS THIS
HAPPENING
.....?
GJ
(CLENCH)


BACK
ALREADY
...?

HA-HA!
YOU'RE PRETTY EARLY.
I FELT LIKE I MIGHT LOSE IT IF I STAYED SHUT UP IN THERE THE WHOLE TIME...
.....BUT YOU'RE THE FIRST PERSON I'VE SEEN THE WHOLE TIME I'VE BEEN WAITING.
BESIDES ...
...I THOUGHT IF I WAITED HERE, SOMEBODY MIGHT COME AND TALK TO ME.

I'M SURE EVERYONE'S SCARED.
SCARED ...?


THAT THEY'RE GOING TO BE THE ONE KILLED.
THAT THEY'LL END UP CHOSEN IN JUDGE.

TO DISCUSS WHO WE'RE GOING TO CHOOSE TO KILL?

BUT THAT'S EXACTLY WHY! IF WE COULD JUST GET TOGETHER TO DISCUSS THIS...

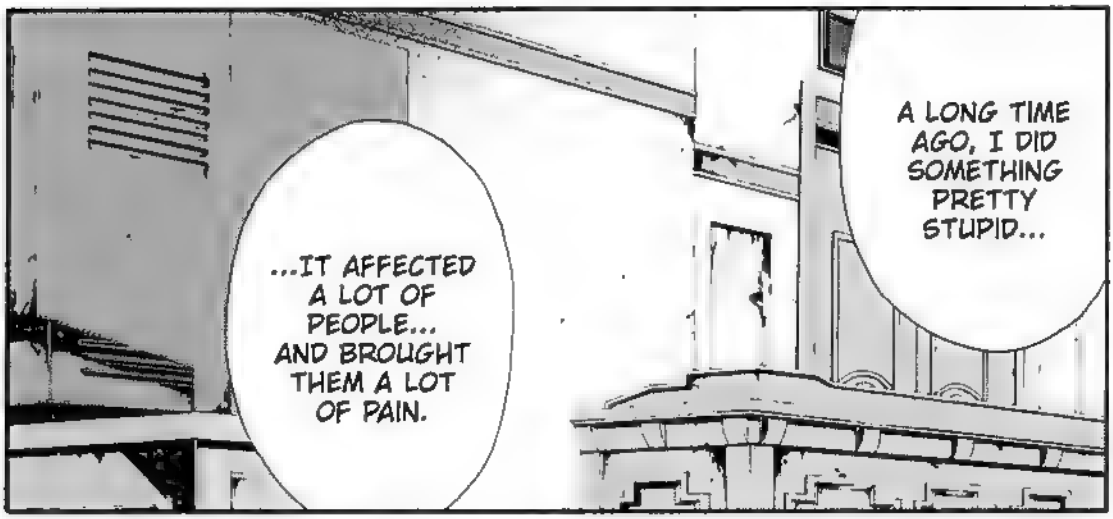
TH-THAT'S NOT WHAT I...

.....IT'S JUST...
I'M NOT TRYING TO GIVE YOU A HARD TIME...
...I'M SORRY.
...YOU MIGHT BECOME A TARGET.
IF YOU STAND OUT TOO MUCH...
UMMM... IF I HAD TO SAY...
KOTO (CLUNK)
.....WHY WOULD YOU GIVE ME A WARNING LIKE THAT?

...I WANNA BE RESCUED ALONG WITH EVERYONE ELSE TOO.
...I GUESS IT'S 'COS...
NIKO (SMILE)
I'M KAZUYUKI ASAI, TWELFTH GRADE...YOU CAN CALL ME KAZU.
SU (REACH)
COME TO THINK OF IT, I HAVEN'T INTRODUCED MYSELF, HAVE I?
.....
GYU (GRIP)
I'M HIROYUKI SAKURAI, ELEVENTH GRADE.

KAZU-SAN...
...THERE'S SOMETHING I'D LIKE TO ASK YOU...
.....
WE'RE ONLY A YEAR APART, AGE-WISE.
YOU DON'T HAVE TO BE SO POLITE.
DO YOU KNOW ANYTHING ABOUT THOSE "SINS"?
PIKU (TWITCH)

.....I...
...THINK I KNOW.
YOU MEAN THE STUFF THAT TOY WAS TALKING ABOUT EARLIER?
OH.....


A LONG TIME AGO, I DID SOMETHING PRETTY STUPID...
...IT AFFECTED A LOT OF PEOPLE... AND BROUGHT THEM A LOT OF PAIN.

I SEE...
DON'T YOUR LIFE

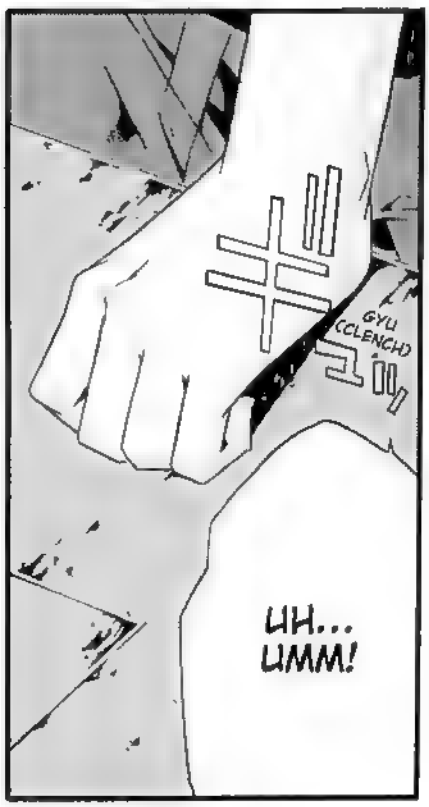
'COS OF IT, MY BROTHER...

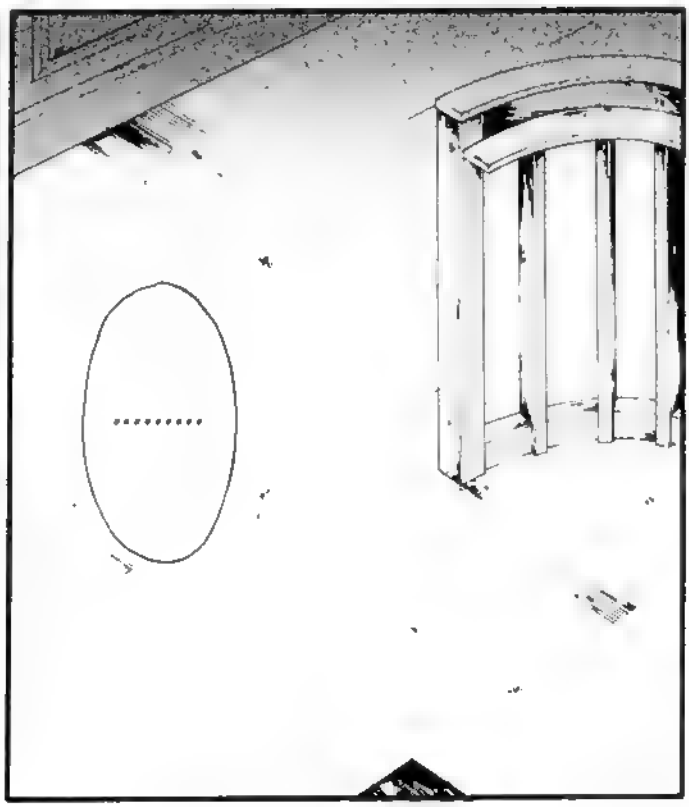
IF YOU'RE ASKING IF I HAVE A SIMILAR EXPERIENCE, I THINK.....
...I DO.
HUH.....?
WHAT'S ...?
GACHA (CLACK)

OH.....

BATAN
(SHUT)

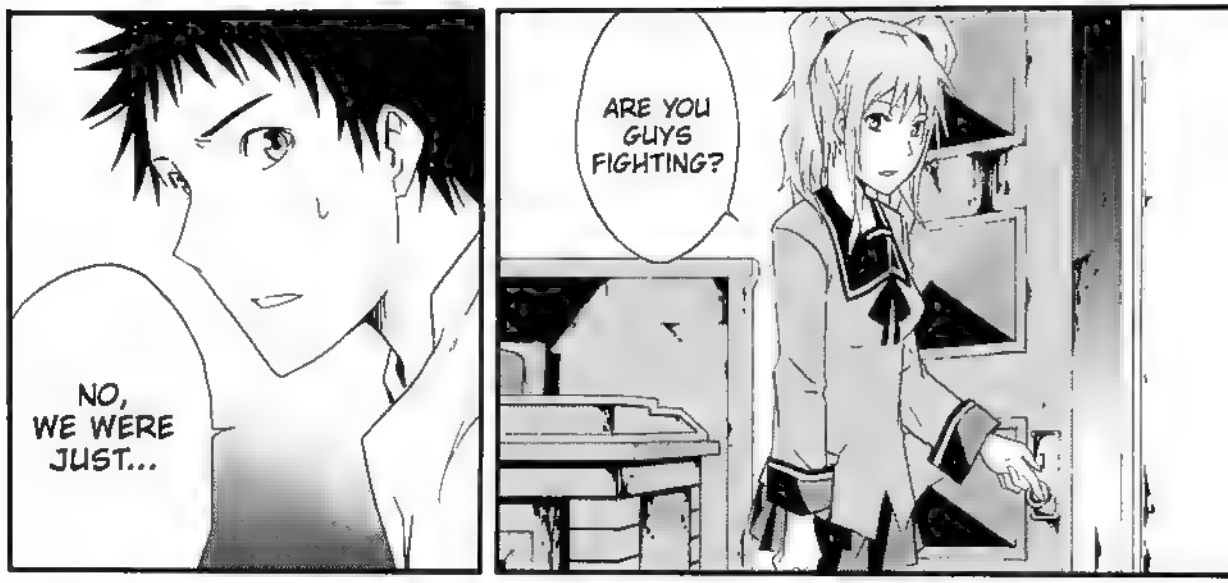
KA
(CLACK)


GYU
(CLENCH)
UH...
UMM!


.....

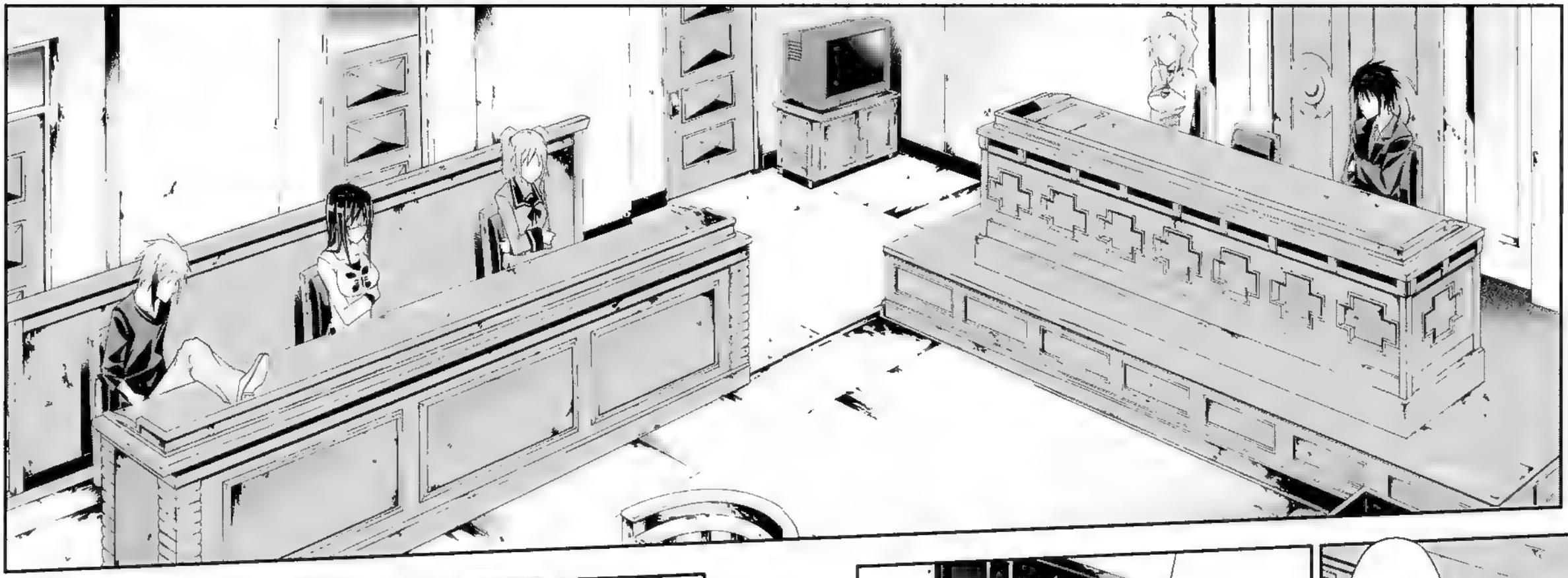
SO YOU TWO ARE TEAMING UP AND PLAN TO BE THE ONLY ONES TO SURVIVE THIS?
I REALLY THINK...
...WE SHOULD ALL DISCUSS THIS...
DESPITE WHAT YOU WERE SAYING EARLIER...
WHAT...?
...YOU'RE RUTHLESSLY DETERMINED, AREN'T YOU?

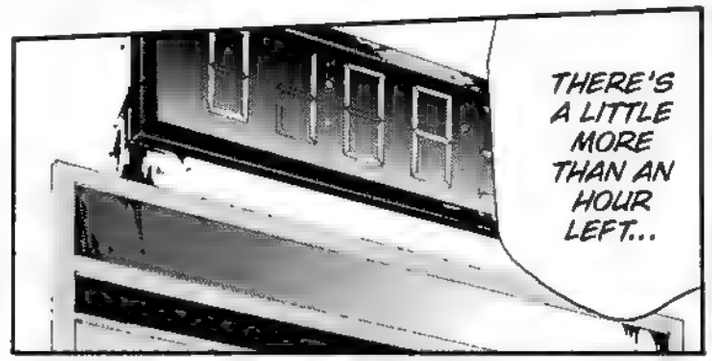
WHAT'S GOING ON?
GATA (CLATTER)
THAT'S NOT TRUE!!


NO, WE WERE JUST...
ARE YOU GUYS FIGHTING?

KAZU-SAN...
IN A SITUATION LIKE THIS, THERE'S NOT MUCH YOU CAN DO.
GU (PULL)

TO AVOID STANDING OUT...
...IT'S BEST NOT TO GO MAKING ENEMIES.
?

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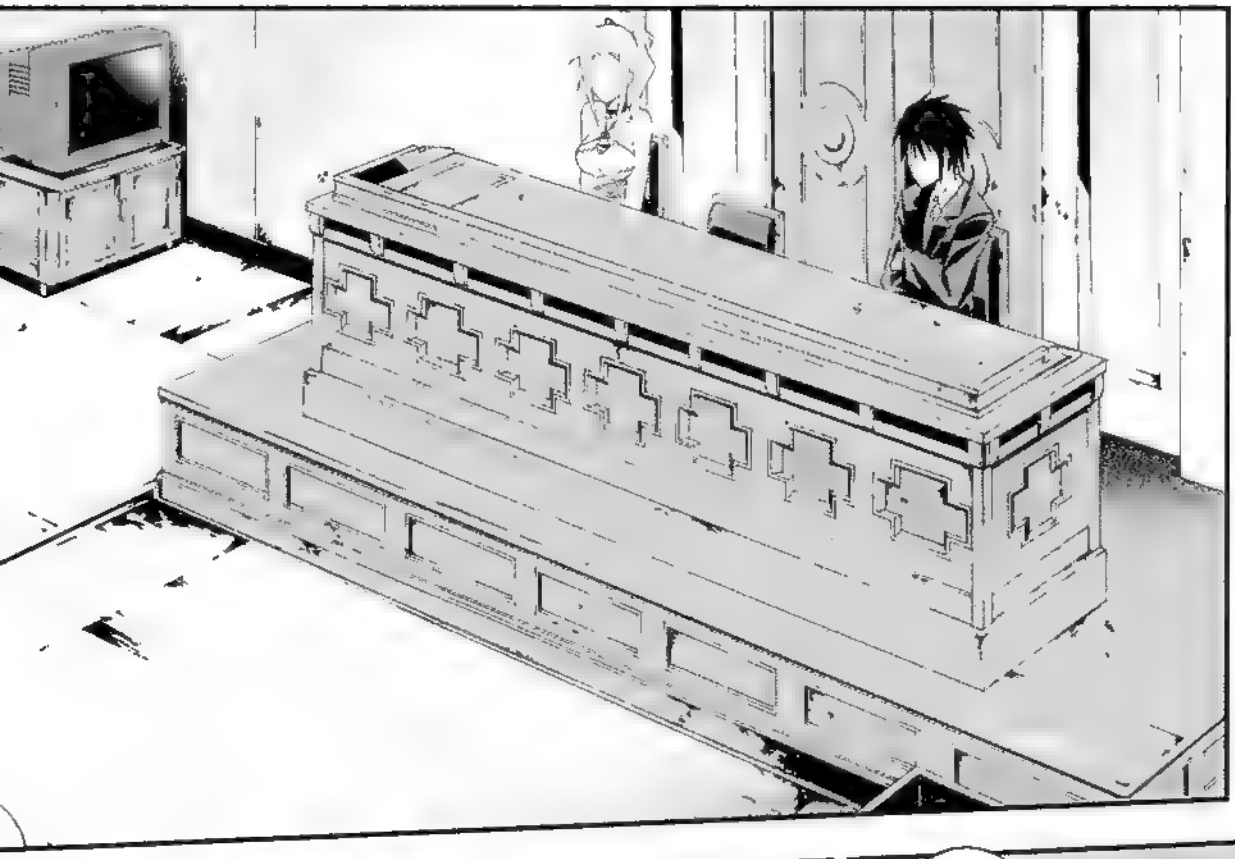
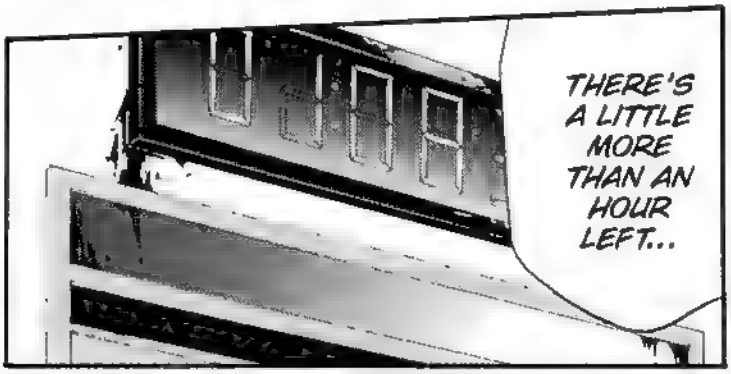
.....

SO WE HAVE TO DECIDE BEFORE THEN...

...WHICH ONE OF THESE PEOPLE.....

GOKU (GULP)

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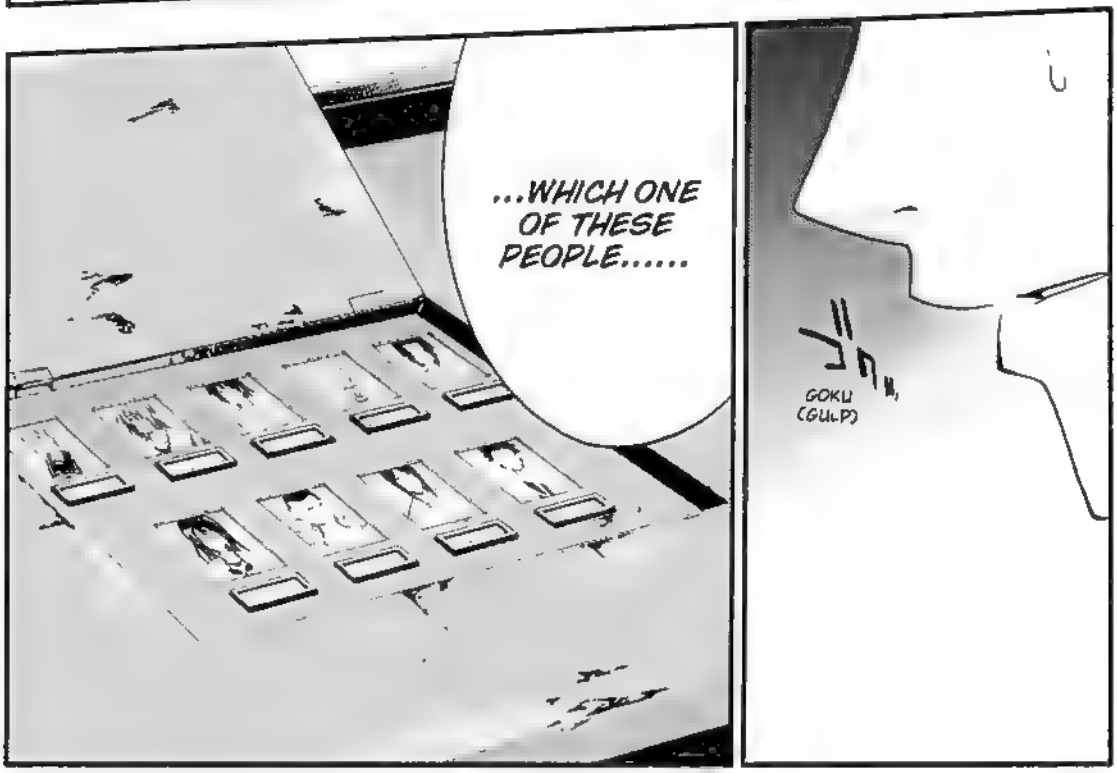

...WHICH ONE OF THESE PEOPLE.....
GOKU (GULP)

IF WE'RE GONNA DO THIS, THEN LET'S GET IT DONE.....
DAMMIT.

.....HOW ABOUT YOU JUST CALM DOWN A BIT?
はぁ
HAA (SIGH)

I'M GETTIN' PISSED OFF!
GAN (WHAM)

YOU'RE RIGHT.
WE'RE STILL MISSING ONE PERSON...

I WILL IF SOMEBODY WILL GO TO GET THE BEAR.
!

WHAT THE HELL'S HE DOING!?
WE'VE GOT LESS THAN TEN MINUTES TO GO!!

GYU (SQUEEZE)
ギュッ

.....

I WONDER WHAT'S WRONG...

GATA (CLATTER)
カタッ

BAN
(BANG)
WHAT AN OBNOXIOUS GUY.....
I'M GONNA GO BRING HIM IN.
KA
(CLACK)

NONE OF US HAVE OUR CELL PHONES...
...SO IT FIGURES THAT HE'S A LITTLE LATE.
.....

JUST A LITTLE SOMETHING ...
WHAT IS IT?
THAT BOY WITH THE HORSE HEAD...
...I CAN'T SHAKE THE FEELING THAT I'VE SEEN HIM SOMEWHERE BEFORE...
ARGH... NEVER MIND!
I CAN'T SEEM TO PUT MY FINGER ON IT.

GA
(WHAM)
WHA.....
BAN
(BANG)
DAMMIT!
WHAT WAS THAT SOUND...?

AND WHY ARE YOU ALONE?
.....
CAN'T YOU EVEN SHUT THE DOOR QUIETLY?
THAT SONUVA BITCH...
...SAID HE WAS TAKIN' EVERYBODY WITH HIM AND LOCKED HIMSELF UP IN THERE!

AND YOU DIDN'T SEE ANYTHING WRONG WITH THAT, AND YOU CAME BACK ALONE!?
BA
WHA.....
BA (WHAP)
AIN'T LIKE THERE WAS ANYTHING I COULD DO.
GA (GRAB)
IT'S LOCKED UP TIGHT FROM THE INSIDE.
WE'RE RUNNING OUT OF TIME. SINCE IT'S COME TO THIS, LET'S ALL GO.
KA (CLACK)
LOCKED .....?
NO WAY...

IF.....
EVEN IF WE GOTTA FORCE IT, WE'RE GETTIN' THAT DOOR OPEN!!
GIRI (GRIT)
...TIME RUNS OUT...
...AND WE HAVEN'T MANAGED TO BRING HIM BACK HERE...

BUTSU (MUTTER)

LOCK

BUTSU

...JUST LIKE THAT TOY THREATENED ...

...WE MIGHT ALL DIE.

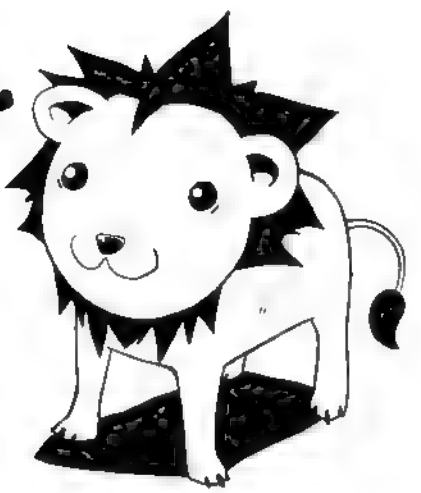
NO.....

...JUST LIKE THAT TOY THREATENED ...
...WE MIGHT ALL DIE.
NO.....

BUTSU (MUTTER)
LOCK
BUTSU

EVERYBODY SHOULD DIE...

Pride

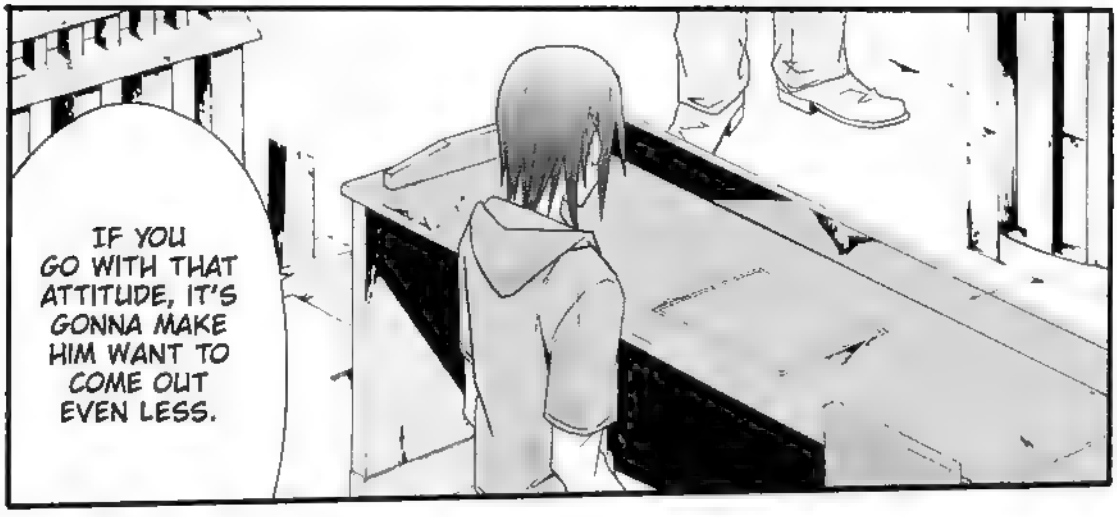


Lust

I'LL GO.

CHAPTER 5 1ST JUDGE

WHAT ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT.....?


IF YOU GO WITH THAT ATTITUDE, IT'S GONNA MAKE HIM WANT TO COME OUT EVEN LESS.

WHY DON'T I GO AND TRY TALKING TO HIM ONE-ON-ONE FOR JUST A LITTLE BIT?

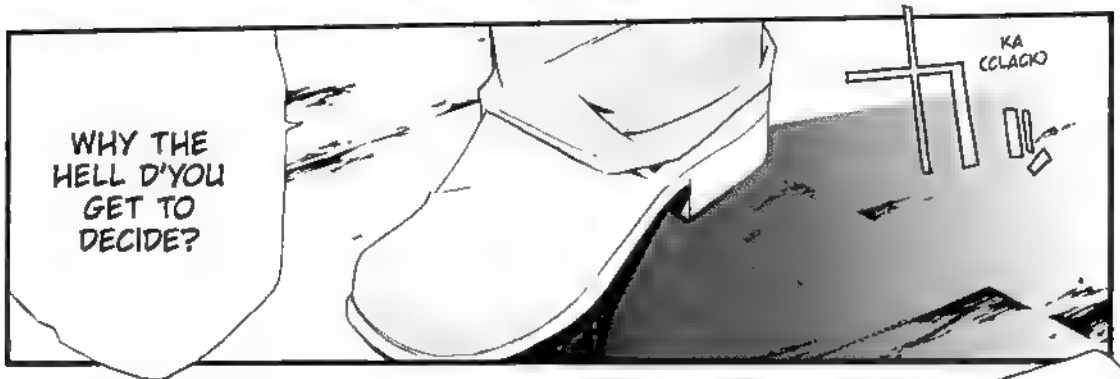
MAYBE HE'S JUST FEELING OVERWHELMED BY THE SITUATION...

BASTARD... WHO THE FUCK DO YOU THINK YOU ARE!?
GU GU

GU (YANK)

I'LL GO TOO...
GU
.....
IF YOU'VE GOT TIME FOR THAT, JUST BREAK THE DOOR AND DRAG HIM OUTTA THERE!
I'LL GO WITH HIM!
...GEEZ!
WHAT'S WITH YOU GUYS...?
PA (RELEASE)
SO...

LET THEM GO.
HUHN .....?


KA CCLACK
WHY THE HELL D'YOU GET TO DECIDE?

SINCE WHEN ARE YOU OUR LEADER?

I DON'T KNOW IF IT'LL WORK, BUT...
...I THINK IT'D BE BEST TO TRY A TACTIC WITH A HIGHER LIKELIHOOD OF SUCCESS BEFORE RESORTING TO BRUTE FORCE.
I WAS MERELY AGREEING WITH THOSE TWO.
KOKU (NOD)
ME TOO...
I THINK THAT'S A GOOD IDEA TOO...
.....

BUT!
DO WHATEVER YOU WANT...
PAAA (BEAM)
DON'T YOUR LIFE
YOU ONLY GET THIRTY MINUTES.
AFTER THAT, I'M GONNA GO AND TEAR IT DOWN.

SO IT'S TRUE.....
LOCK
WHY IS THIS ROOM THE ONLY ONE WITH A LOCK ON THE DOOR?
KON (KNOCK)
KON
SO GIVE IT ALL YOU GOT TILL YOUR TIME'S UP...
...TALKING THINGS OUT OR WHATEVER.

HEY, SO I THINK THE HORSE GUY CAME BY A LITTLE WHILE AGO, BUT...
...DID HE SAY SOMETHING TO SCARE YOU?

THAT GUY... HE SUDDENLY GOT DRAGGED INTO THIS LIKE THE REST OF US, AND HE'S JUST FREAKED OUT...
WE'RE ALL FEELING ANXIOUS TOO.

TO BE HONEST, I'M NOT SURE MYSELF HOW TO GO ABOUT GETTING US ALL OUT OF HERE...
...BUT!

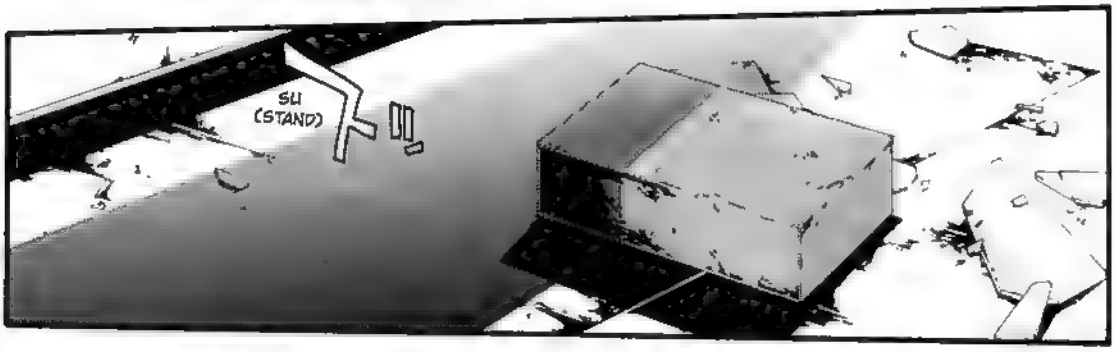
AT LEAST SHOW YOUR FACE...
I MEAN, ANY KINDA RESPONSE IS FINE, REALLY, SO CAN YOU PLEASE JUST SAY SOMETHING?
YOU CAN'T JUST STAY LOCKED UP IN THERE ALL BY YOURSELF.
.....

EVEN THOUGH I WAS TALKING BIG IN FRONT OF EVERYBODY ...
...WHEN IT COMES DOWN TO IT, I HAVE NO IDEA WHAT TO SAY TO HIM...
I SUCK AT THIS...
?
GU (CLENCH)
GYU (SQUEEZE)
AT THIS RATE, EVERYONE'S GOING TO...

HIRO...
LET ME GIVE IT A TRY, ALL RIGHT?
KAZU-SAN...?

FINALLY, IT'S QUIET AGAIN.
.....
HA-HA! THEY WANT ME TO GO ALONG WITH EVERYBODY ...
GARI (SCRAPE)
I KNOW THAT MUCH.
...BUT THEY'RE ALL PLANNING TO KILL ME ANYWAY.

EVEN IF I GO TO SCHOOL, I DON'T HAVE ANY FRIENDS...
EVEN IF I GET OUT OF HERE, I DON'T HAVE ANYWHERE TO GO...


SU (STAND)

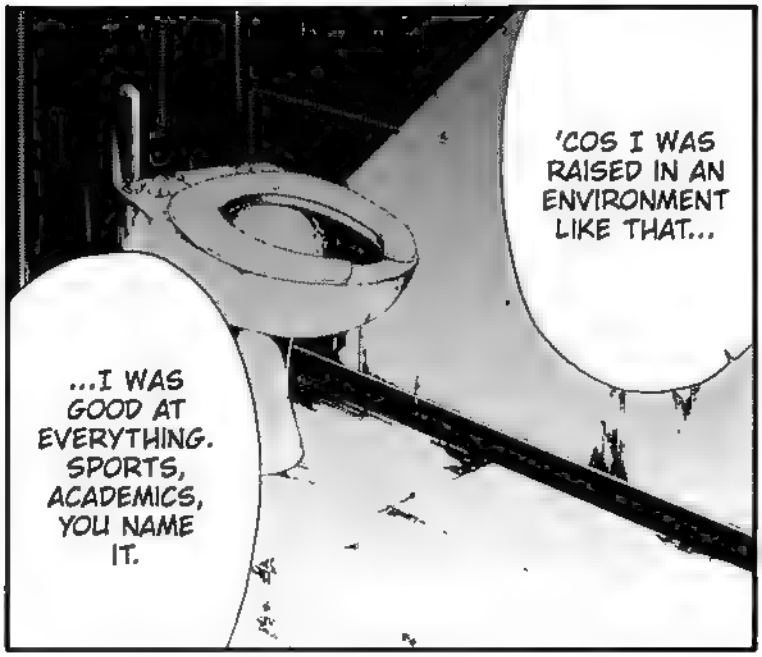
GA (STOMP)
IT DOESN'T MATTER WHETHER SOMEONE LIKE ME LIVES OR NOT.
KASA (SKITTER)

...SO I MIGHT AS WELL GET IT OVER WITH...
JUST LIKE THIS, WITH EVERYBODY ELSE...
HI.
MY NAME'S KAZUYUKI ASAI.
KON (KNOCK)
KON
BIKU (FLINCH)

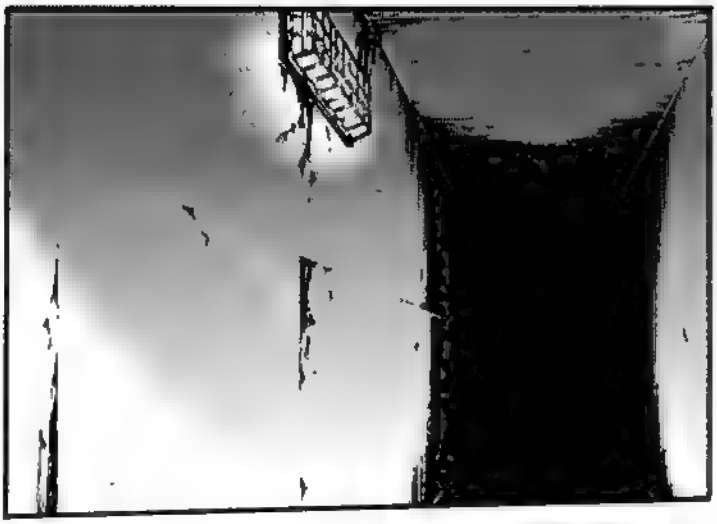
KAZU-SAN...
...COULD YOU PLEASE JUST LISTEN TO WHAT I HAVE TO SAY?
YOU DON'T HAVE TO FORCE YOURSELF TO COME OUT, SO...
...HOW ARE YOU PLANNING TO CONVINCE HIM?
...GREW UP IN FAIRLY FORTUNATE CIRCUM-STANCES.
...YOU KNOW, I...

MY FAMILY WAS RICH, SO I COULD BUY WHATEVER STRUCK MY FANCY...
...I WANTED FOR NOTHING.

KAZU-SAN!
WHY THE HECK ARE YOU BRAGGING ABOUT THAT RIGHT NOW ...?


'COS I WAS RAISED IN AN ENVIRONMENT LIKE THAT...
...I WAS GOOD AT EVERYTHING. SPORTS, ACADEMICS, YOU NAME IT.

'COS OF ALL THAT, I HAD LOTS OF FRIENDS.
EVERY DAY WAS FUN FOR ME.
SU (SWF)
YOU'RE MOCKING ME...!!
I'M SURE THAT'S WHAT EVERYBODY THOUGHT MY LIFE WAS LIKE.
BARI (CRUNCH)



HIRO.

.....
BUT THEY WERE WRONG...

YEAH...
YOU ASKED ME BEFORE IF I KNEW ANYTHING ABOUT THOSE "SINS," RIGHT?

I...
TO BE TOLD IT'S A SIN IS HURTFUL, BUT...
...I THINK I KNOW WHAT IT MEANS.
WHAT IS IT!?

ONCE I REALIZED THAT...

GYU (TUG)

...BEING WITH MY PARENTS AND FRIENDS WAS ALWAYS PAINFUL...

...WILL NEVER BE ATTRACTED TO A WOMAN.

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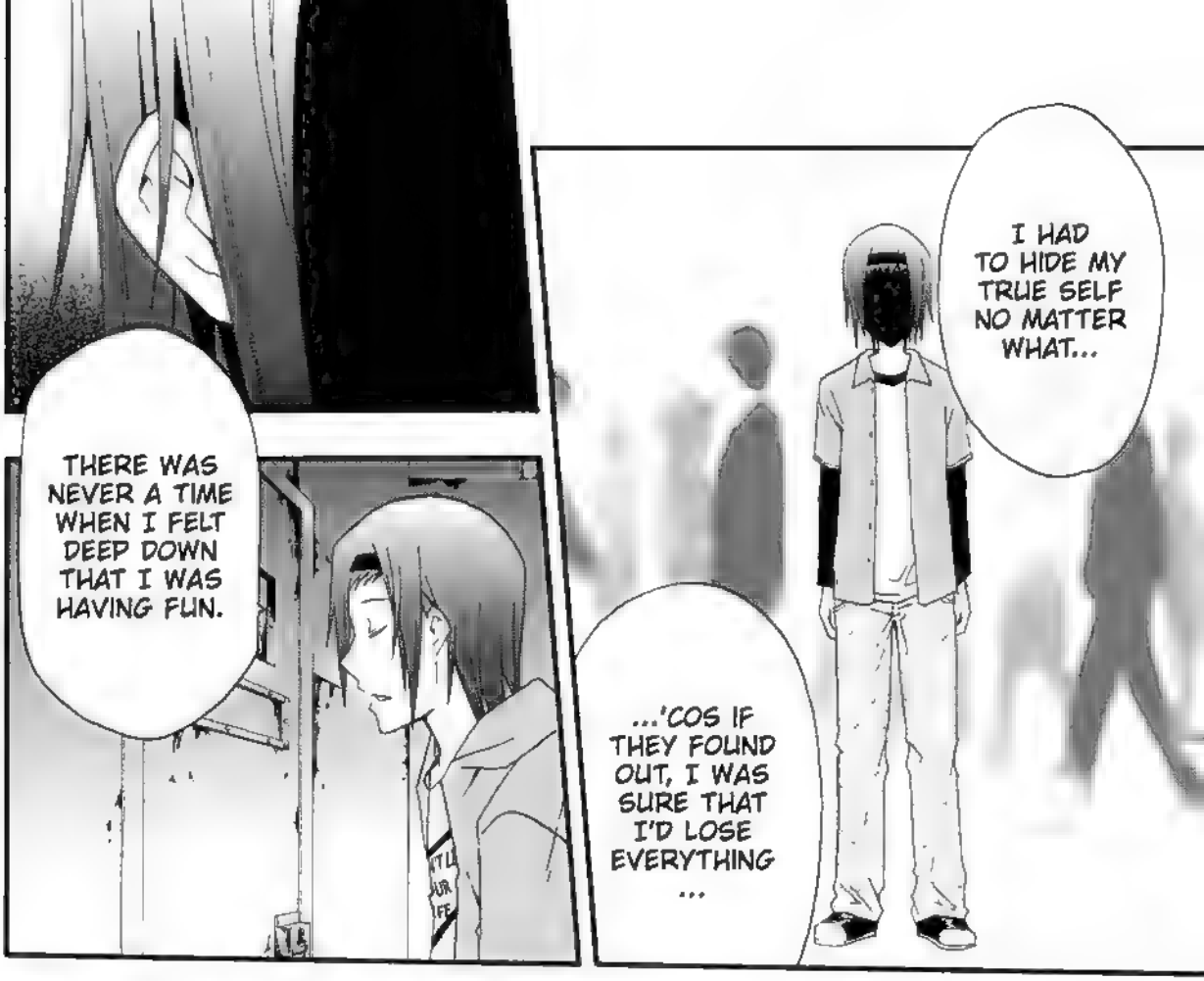
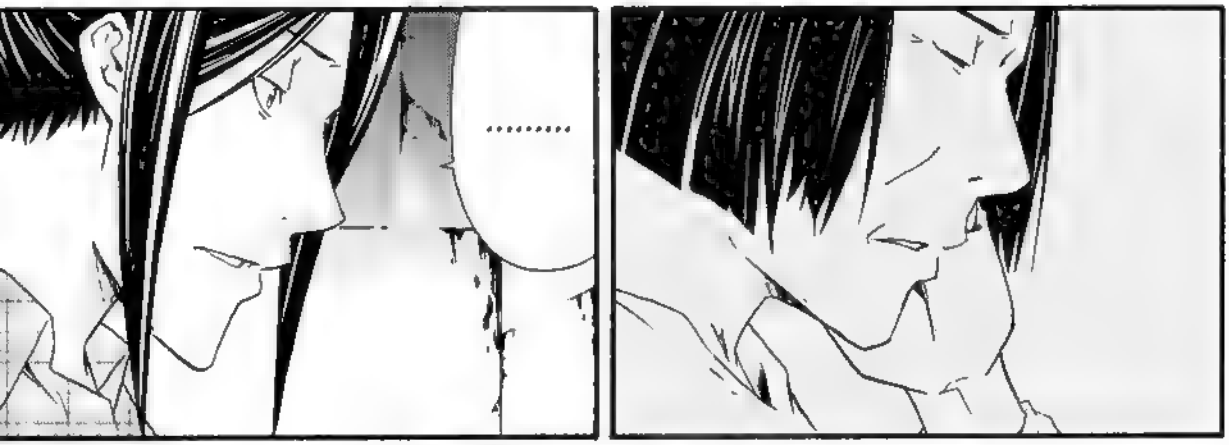

I HAD TO HIDE MY TRUE SELF NO MATTER WHAT...
...'COS IF THEY FOUND OUT, I WAS SURE THAT I'D LOSE EVERYTHING ...
THERE WAS NEVER A TIME WHEN I FELT DEEP DOWN THAT I WAS HAVING FUN.

EVENTUALLY I COULDN'T STAND LIVING LIKE THAT...

...SO ON THE DAY I ENTERED HIGH SCHOOL, I DECIDED TO CONFESS THE TRUTH TO MY MOM AND DAD...

I'LL NEVER FORGET THE LOOKS ON THEIR FACES AFTER I TOLD THEM.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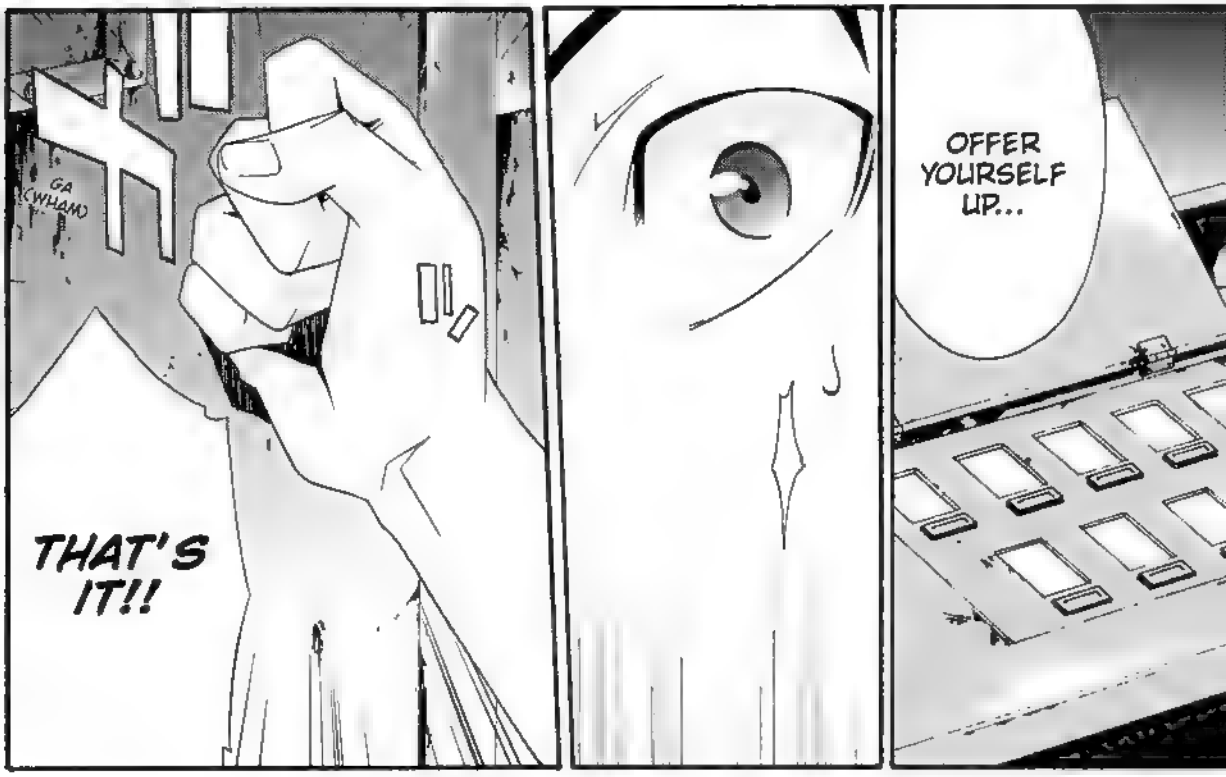
BUT I DON'T REGRET IT.
I GAVE UP ON GOING TO COLLEGE AND MOVED SOMEWHERE NOBODY KNEW ME...
I WAS DISOWNED AND KICKED OUT OF MY HOUSE.

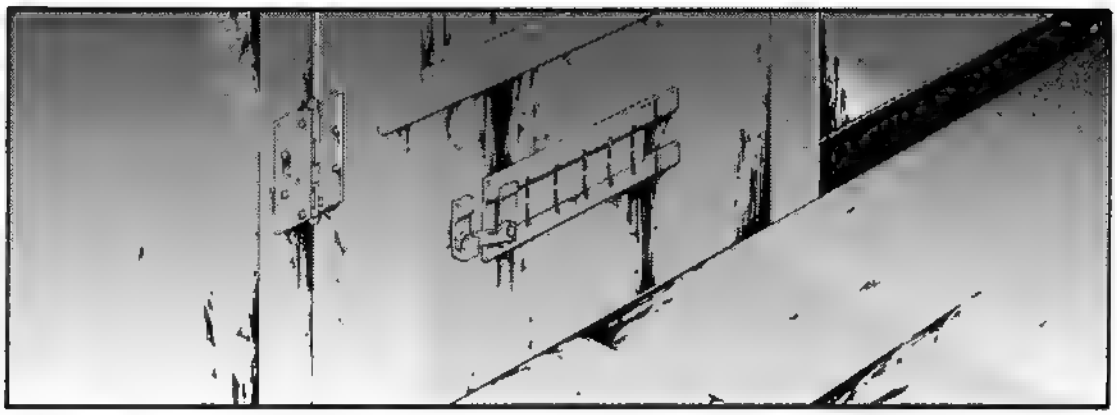
IF YOU WANT FRIENDS, YOU JUST HAVE TO TRY AGAIN TO MAKE SOME.
IF YOU HAVE NOWHERE TO GO, YOU CAN ALWAYS LOOK FOR SOMEWHERE ELSE.
I'M SURE YOU'LL GET TO SEE THINGS YOU'VE NEVER SEEN BEFORE.
'COS...
JIRI (SCRAPE)

.....
B...
BUT.....
...THAT'S ALL IMPOSSIBLE...
...THERE'S NO SUCH THING AS A PERSON WHO'S BETTER OFF NOT EXISTING.
...I KNOW EVERYONE'S GOING TO VOTE FOR ME BECAUSE OF THIS...
IF I LEAVE THIS ROOM RIGHT NOW...

WOULDN'T THAT...
THAT'S WHAT YOU GUYS ARE THINKING TOO, ISN'T IT!?
...BE JUST LIKE GOING TO OFFER MYSELF UP TO DIE!?


GA (WHAM)
THAT'S IT!!
OFFER YOURSELF UP...

I'VE GOT IT.
HIRO ...?
A WAY...
...THAT MAYBE EVERYONE CAN BE SAVED!
R.....
REALLY?
YEAH!
SO PLEASE, COME ON OUT OF THERE!



IF YOU'RE LYING...

GII (CREAK)

OPEN

.....!

PI (BEEP)

...I'M GOING TO TAKE YOU WITH ME...
...THEN WHEN I DIE...
HIRO...
.....
コクリ
KOKU (NOD)

GACHA
(CLACK)

HUH.....
SO YOU MANAGED TO BRING HIM BACK.

YOU DUMB SHIT...
KA (CLACK)
...SO YOU FINALLY DECIDED TO SHOW YOUR MUG IN HERE...
UGH.....
EEK.....

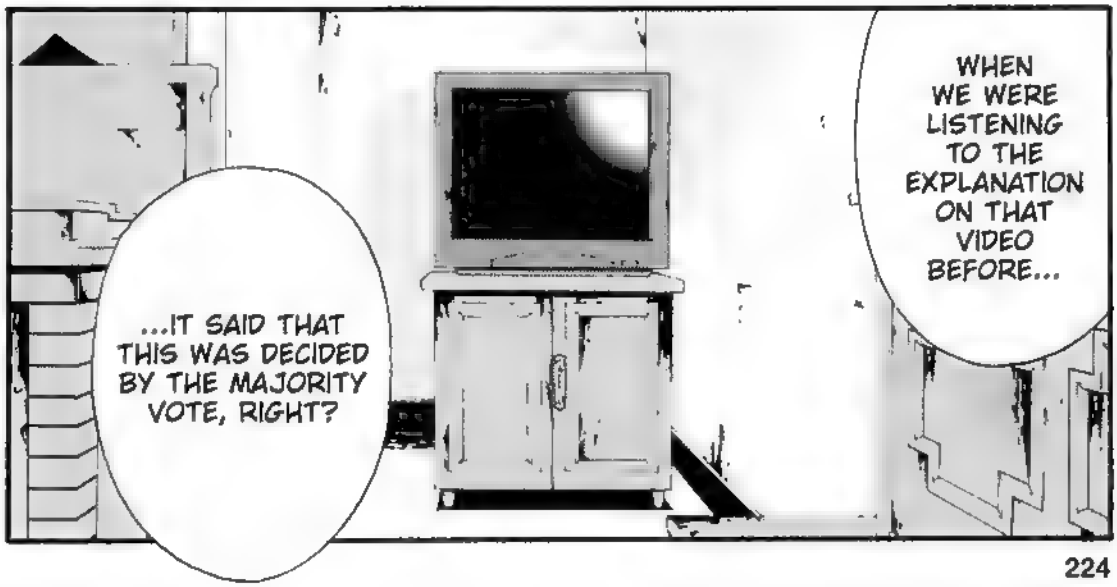
WHAT'RE YOU GETTIN' IN THE WAY FOR?
.....

I'M NOT GONNA LET YOU TOUCH HIM...
I PROMISED HIM IT'D BE ALL RIGHT IF HE CAME OUT!

WAIT!
SO WHAT, YOU'RE WILLIN' TO EAT MY FIST FOR HIS SORRY ASS!?

A WAY THAT EVERYONE CAN SURVIVE!
!?
THIS ISN'T THE TIME TO BE PICKING FIGHTS.
I FIGURED IT OUT!
WHAT YOU'RE TALKING ABOUT ISN'T POSSIBLE!
WHA ...!?
THERE'S NO WAY FOR EVERYONE TO SURVIVE!
.....
THERE IS A WAY.

FOR OUR-SELVES...?
EVERY-BODY'S ...
YEAH.
...GOTTA VOTE FOR HIM- OR HERSELF.


WHEN WE WERE LISTENING TO THE EXPLANATION ON THAT VIDEO BEFORE...
...IT SAID THAT THIS WAS DECIDED BY THE MAJORITY VOTE, RIGHT?

THAT MAKES SENSE ...!
IF THAT'S TRUE...
...THEN WE JUST HAVE TO KEEP A MAJORITY FROM BEING ESTABLISHED.
KOKU (NOD)
SO IF EVERYBODY GETS ONE VOTE...
IF WE CONTINUE LIKE THAT, ONE VOTE AT A TIME...
...AT THE VERY LEAST, WE WON'T BE FORCED TO KILL ONE ANOTHER.
...NOBODY HAS TO DIE!

WITH THIS MANY PEOPLE HAVING GONE MISSING...
...AS LONG AS WE WAIT, THERE'S A CHANCE THAT HELP WILL COME.

TH.....
THEN...
...WE DON'T HAVE TO PICK SOMEONE TO KILL...?

THAT'S RIGHT...
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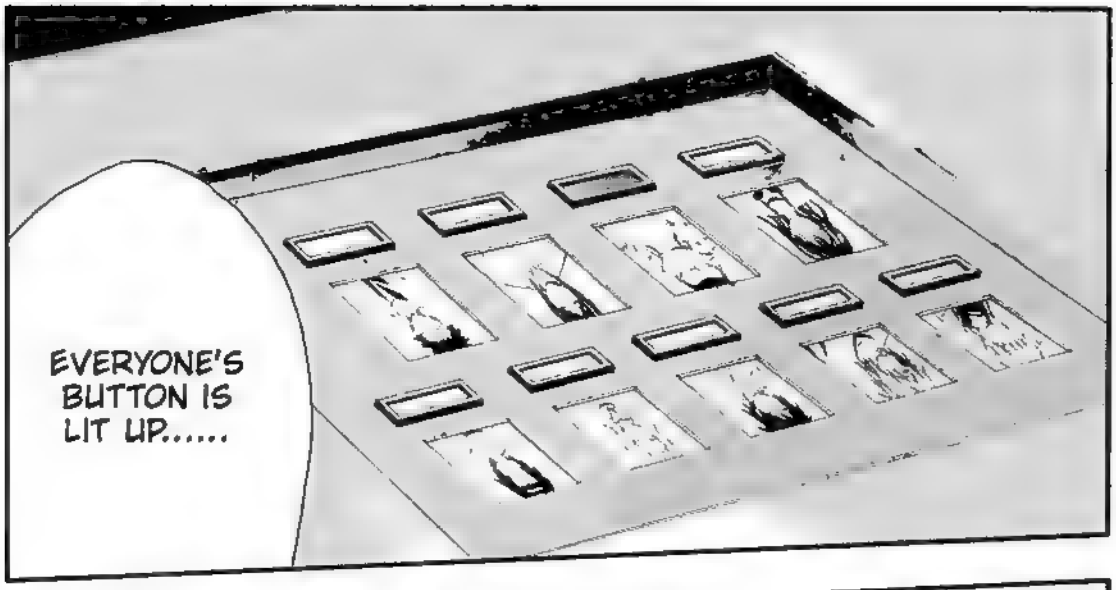
PAA (BEAM)

IT'S NOT LIKE WE'RE GOING TO BE RESCUED RIGHT AWAY...
...BUT AT LEAST THIS WAY, WE'LL STAY SAFE FOR A WHILE.
HOW NICE IT WOULD BE IF THINGS WENT SO SMOOTHLY.
EH.....?
PI (BIP)

!?
WH-WHAT'S THAT SOUND?
LOOK .....!
BII (BEEEP)


EVERYONE'S BUTTON IS LIT UP.....

THERE'S ONE PERSON WHOSE BUTTON IS STILL DARK.

NO.....

THAT SOUND WAS THE SIGNAL TELLIN' US TO VOTE, I BET.

SO WE'RE SUPPOSED TO PICK FROM THE PEOPLE STILL ALIVE.
GII (SQUEAK)

LET'S HURRY UP 'N' GET IT OVER WITH.
GATA (CLATTER)
GUESS IT'S NO BIG DEAL IF YOU KNOW NOBODY'S GOTTA DIE.
HEY, BEAR.
GATA
...NOT GETTIN' KILLED AND ALL.
YOU'RE ONE LUCKY BASTARD.

I KNOW...
IT'S BEST JUST TO IGNORE HIM.
OKAY?
.....
...SHALL WE...?
THEN...

KACHI
(CLICK)
カチ

PI (BEEP)
SU (REACH)
.....!
HAAH...
THAT SHOULD BUY US SOME TIME.

.....WHAT'S SO FUNNY?
NOTHING .....
HA-HA!

IT'S JUST THAT YOU'RE PRETTY SIMPLISTIC.

...TRUSTING PEOPLE SO IMPLICITLY.

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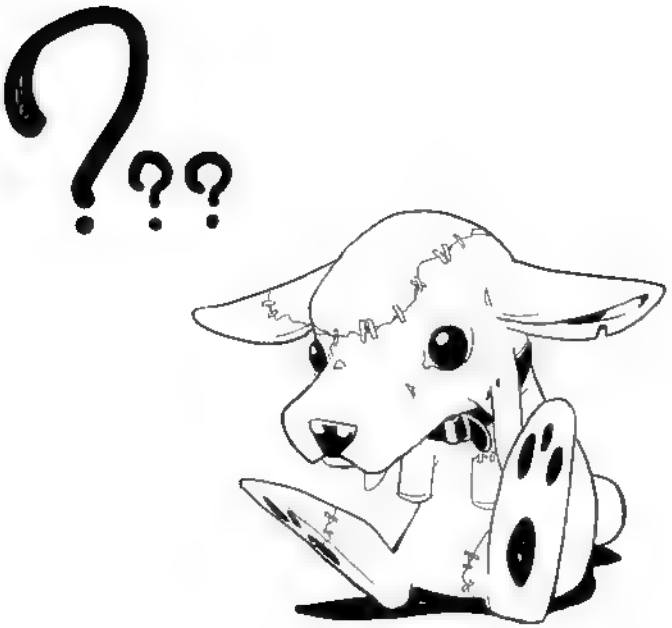

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Now, it is time for the sentencing.

SO...

...THIS BUILDING REALLY WAS A COURTHOUSE?

I VOTED...

AREN'T THE NUMBERS ON THE CLOCK COUNTING BACKWARD ...?

HE STARTLED ME...

Eight sinners are left.

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